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| Yuenai                      | 6.50 | 9.24  | 10.39 | 11.49 | 12.09 | 1.24 | 4.44 | 5.59 | 7.19 |      |      |
| Shatin                      | 7.02 | 9.36  | 10.41 | 11.51 | 12.21 | 1.36 | 4.56 | 6.11 | 7.31 |      |      |
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### Our London Letter.

CASH ON DELIVERY SYSTEM.

EXTENSION OF SCHEME PROPOSED.

FARMERS SUGGESTION TO THE RAILWAYS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

London, April 28th.  
The critical observer could not help noticing that while the arrival of the Australian cricketers occupied columns in the newspapers, the arrival of the Earl and Countess of Reading from India is relegated to two or three paragraphs. It is an interesting comparison of news values. The ex-Viceroy and his wife were met by a very distinguished gathering at Victoria Station. To an interviewer Lord Reading said his five years in India were five great years.

Some editorial writers have already been finding new positions for Lord Reading, including the chairmanship of a great business undertaking in the City. But this is altogether premature. Asked as to his future the ex-Viceroy replied, "It is too early to ask about my plans. For the moment I am glad to have nothing to do and nothing special to think about." The probability is that he will retire into private life.

### AN OLYMPIAN EDITOR.

Fleet Street is greatly interested in the appointment of Mr. J. L. Garvin as editor-in-chief of the "Encyclopaedia Britannica," because it is stated that he is also to continue to act as editor of "The Observer," which serves as a pulpit every Sunday for the vivid and unequivocal expression of his opinions on men and affairs. It has been the habit to select as the editor of the "Encyclopaedia" a man of an academic and philosophic type of mind, which in popular parlance means dry-as-dust; and it is almost revolutionary to have the committee giving the job to a publicist who has spent a long and busy working life in political journalism. However, it is not always that pundits are dry, or great publicists biased and unscholarly.

Presumably the main business of the editor of the "Encyclopaedia" is to select the contributors and to apportion space. In this matter Mr. Garvin may be trusted to show a catholic spirit. At any rate, when he was responsible for that remarkable publication, "The History of Our Own Time," he went far and wide for his writers, and chose, for instance, Mr. Bertrand Russell as the authority on China in the war. I have heard the complaint made by those who use the "Encyclopaedia" habitually that its scientific articles are too scientific and can only be read by scientists, and that its political matter is too one-sided. Mr. Garvin will probably exercise better and more modern control in these subjects.

### C.O.D. IN OPERATION.

I hear that the Cash-on-Delivery system recently introduced by the Post Office is gradually becoming more popular. As already explained, you order what you want to buy and it is sent by post in the ordinary way, the postman collecting the price of the goods at the door. But the public have some misconceptions, it appears, as is illustrated by the story of a housekeeper who refused a parcel from Grimsby plainly labelled C.O.D., and summarily dismissed the postman with the complaint that she had ordered halibut.

That story may perhaps show a defect in the cash on delivery system; but it has been left to the National Farmers' Union to suggest a considerable improvement. They have decided to approach the railway companies with the proposal that they should also adopt a C.O.D. system, so that land produce now accepted by the Post Office only under difficult packing restrictions may be transported by rail and paid for on receipt by the customer, the money being collected and remitted to the sender in the same way.

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### SPREAD OF INFORMATION REGARDING CHINA.

IT'S AN ILL WIND THAT BLOWS NO GOOD.

INTEREST OF HOME PUBLIC.

It is an ill-wind that blows no good. Even the gale in China has had, in one respect at least, a good effect, says the "Express and Telegraph." It has brought much-needed enlightenment to this country. Hitherto, one paper says, it has been "less difficult to find well-informed opinion upon Chinese art or pottery than to discover anyone who understands the political situation." That there are people in London as well qualified to discuss present-day Chinese affairs as the art and pottery of its ancient civilisation has been demonstrated very frequently during the past ten months, but unfortunately they have preached in a wilderness of ignorance and it has taken a long time to awaken the Press to the importance of the subject.

Hongkong, Shanghai, Tientsin and Peking have not been silent as to the day-to-day happenings, but the need for detailed and accurate information involving reference to the records of the past has been acutely felt, and for these reasons the City welcomes the newly founded "Tientsin British Committee of Information." The purpose of this Committee is to assist with direct information members of the House of Commons, certain Chambers of Commerce, and others interested in Chinese affairs. The members are: Messrs. P. H. B. Kent, E. C. Peters (chairman), British Municipal Council, Tientsin; D. B. Walker, Chamber of Commerce, Peking; and H. G. W. Woodcock, Editor of the "China Year-book," Peking. Their first memorandum, "Foreign Settlements and Concessions in China" and "The Protocol of 1901 in Relation to Railways," what the appetite for more and with the position as it is they cannot give us too much.

way that the Post Office now undertakes to do it.

This is obviously an excellent idea. Large quantities of soft fruit could be sent by rail expeditiously from the farm to the consumer and doubtless the same thing applies to many other of the kindly fruits of the earth, not to mention eggs, butter, poultry and dairy produce generally.

### FAMOUS ACTOR'S PASSING.

Sir Squire Bancroft, the famous Victorian actor, who has just passed away, was an intimate part of West End life up to within a few weeks of his death, despite his 84 years. To see him stepping out of the Albany, where he had apartments in that most exclusive retreat just off Piccadilly, it was difficult to believe that sixty years ago he had farwelled the stage. He had started at the Theatre Royal, Birmingham, at a guinea a week for "utility business," and after a few years in the Provinces came to London and got an engagement at the Queen's Theatre, in Tottenham Street. It was then a second-rate house known as the "Dusthole," and Society eschewed it. But it had just been taken over by Miss Wilton, a popular comedy actress of the period, and success crowned her management. Later Squire Bancroft married her and they went to the Haymarket Theatre, where they made enough money to retire and "live happily ever afterwards," as the story books of our youth used to describe it.

Squire Bancroft was knighted by Queen Victoria for his services on behalf of the theatrical profession. During his long retirement he appeared as an actor from time to time in aid of charities, and raised about £20,000 in this way. He always wore a monocle, an extraordinary hat, and clothes of a curious cut so that he presented an appearance of picturesque elegance to public. Many people of the present generation can claim acquaintance with him through his book of reminiscences, especially "On and Off the Stage," which gives a very valuable picture of Victorian life both social and Bohemian of forty or fifty years ago.

### THE AUSTRALIAN ABORIGINE. PROPOSAL FOR A NATIVE STATE.

LIMITED POSSIBILITIES.

[BY AN AUSTRALIAN CORRESPONDENT.]

The proposed establishment of a model native State for the Australian aboriginal is being discussed in Australia, according to a cable report which has just reached London. The scheme, however, has been on the tapis for some time. Twelve months ago a public meeting was convened in Adelaide by the originator of the plan, Mr. J. C. Genders, and it received a certain amount of influential support. Dr. H. Basedow, a distinguished anthropologist, was present, also Professor Darnley Naylor, Dr. F. Ramsey Smith, and others.

The main suggestion was that a large tract of country should be rigidly reserved for the preservation of the rapidly decaying race, and that a native tribunal, assisted by a Federal Government Resident, should govern the territory. The called news, however, goes further. The South Australian supporters of the movement have now petitioned State and Federal members of Parliament to advance the scheme, and even advocate a native administrator, and representation in the Federal Parliament, urging as an argument the position of the Maoris in New Zealand.

Australian authorities in London, while having every sympathy with a movement for the thorough protection and preservation of the race, were inclined to smile at the idea of a native tribunal and administrator.

60,000 NATIVES.

At the 1921 census considerable care was taken by the Federal Authorities to obtain the approximate number of aboriginals living in the different States, including wild and nomadic natives, with the result that the number was estimated at over 60,000. This total included about 10,000 as living outside the influence of Europeans. The island of Tasmania did not figure in this number, as the last representative of the Tasmanian aboriginals died in 1878, and his death and the consequent extinction of his kind was and is deplored by anthropologists. This can be readily understood when it is recalled that the Australian aborigine is the most primitive type of man that still survives upon the earth, and his extermination would be lamentable.

An American Nonconformist minister, the Rev. T. B. Easton, of Texas, recently visited the Commonwealth and investigated the conditions of the Australian native, and submitted a report to the Aborigines Protection Board. He boldly declared that many of the natives were ready for citizenship, and for industrial opportunities. He also thought that the young men might be utilised in the post office and on the railways, and he also held the view that if New Zealand could use Maoris for these activities Australia should be able to do likewise with her aborigines.

### AN ANTHROPOLOGIST'S VIEWS.

These views caused Sir Baldwin Spencer, one of the world's most eminent anthropologists, to make a public statement in Melbourne on the subject. He mentioned that it was utterly impossible to compare the Australian aborigine with the Maori, who in New Zealand had taken his place in the various civilised walks of life, occupied important positions in administrative capacity, and had entered the Cabinet. To imagine that any Australian aborigine could possibly do likewise, was utterly absurd. Sir Baldwin declared that the Maoris were without the slightest doubt a very much higher race, both as regards mental culture and physique, than the Australian aborigine. He paid a high tribute to the Maori, and his ability to stand up against the white race and make them deal with its members on terms of equality.

Two races differing so widely in cultural level as did the Australian aborigine and the white races were impossible to blend, and there was only one thing to be done, and that was to keep the lower race as far apart as possible from the higher race with which it was thrown into contact. The blacks' dislike of continuous work, and their nomadic instincts caused those who worked amongst the aborigines considerable difficulty.

Under present conditions the suggestion that aborigines should be placed in positions in the railways and post-office, Sir Baldwin Spencer dismissed as unworthy of consideration.

A high-Australian official expressed the view that, at frackers in the bush and elsewhere, Australian blacks did remarkable work, but for any intellectual activity their services were practically useless. It may therefore be assumed that black administrators and the like will never enter the realm of practical politics in Australia.—The Observer.

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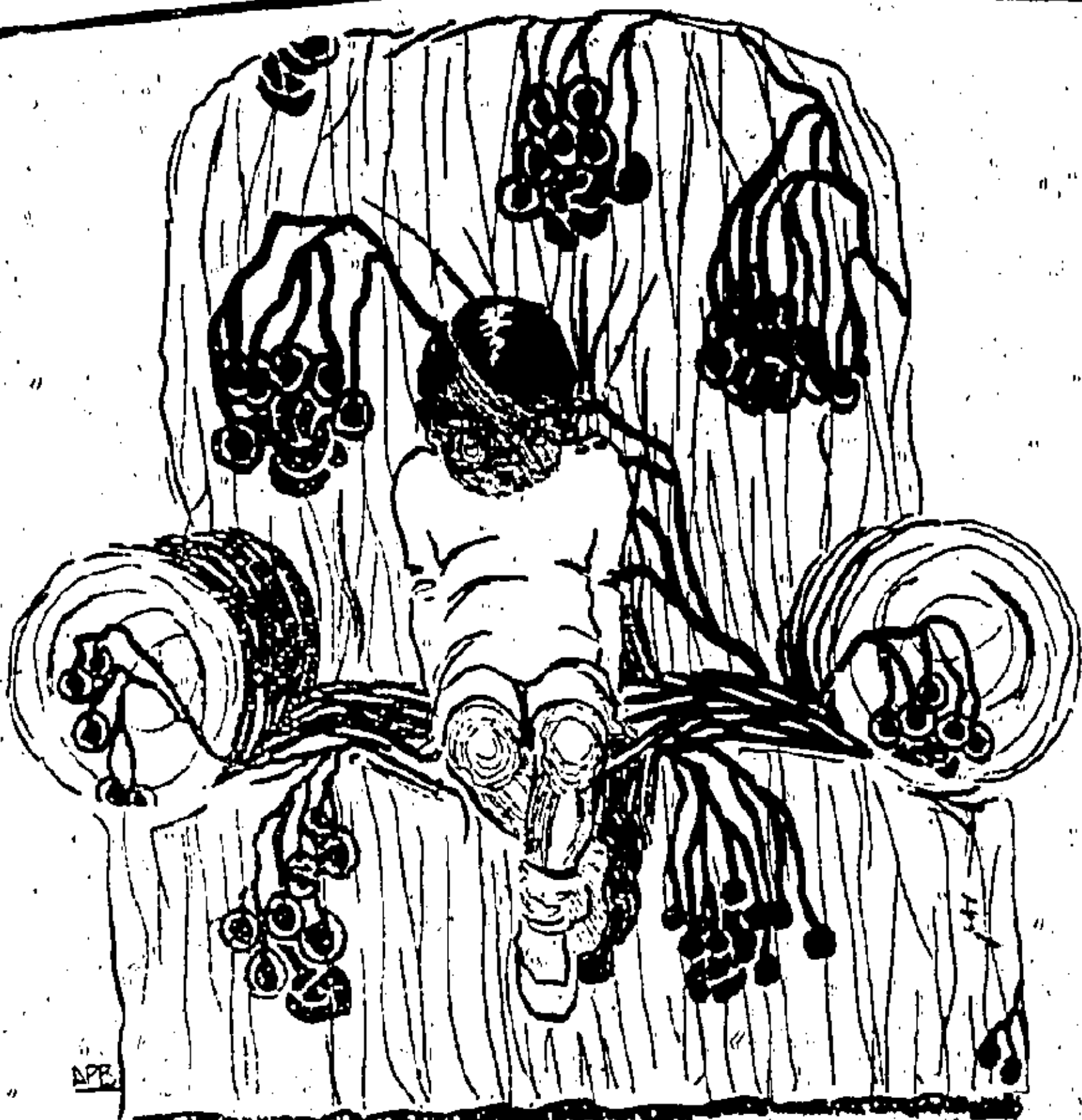


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**PARIS FASHION NOTES.**

THE LAND OF SUNSHINE AND  
PYJAMAS.

FAVOURITE COLOURS IN SHOES.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT,  
ISABEL RAMSAY.]

PARIS, April 21st.

"Come to the Lido, the land of sunshine and pyjamas," is the announcement which certain big hotel proprietors of that delectable spot are scattering through the daily press of Europe by way of enticing society in large numbers to its hospitable shores during the coming season. For, as everyone knows, one does not go to the Lido for the purpose of swimming in the radiant blue Adriatic or basking on its golden shores so much as for the purpose of showing off for all the world to see one's very latest possession in the way of pyjamas.

**THE PYJAMAS PROMENADE.**

The origin of such a practice remains shrouded in mystery, but the fact remains that the greatest sport during the season at the Lido, and one that far outdoes jazzing, swimming or tennis, is beach lounging and promenading in pyjamas. This being so, it goes without saying that there is not a couturier in all Paris who has not included a number of pyjama models in his spring and summer collections. Some of these are such gorgeous affairs that you wonder how any one has the heart to wear them in a room much less to expose their fragility to the sun and wind without. Many are made of crepe Georgette, in which case they are fitted with enveloping sort of wing sleeves, a long coat top and one or several scarf motifs with the assistance of which any too-transparent effects may be corrected. There are others, more substantial, made of satin or crepe satin and others that are a combination of either of these fabrics and printed chiffon or crepe Georgette. There are crepe de Chine pyjamas, *naturellement*, this being a material that Madame wraps round at least some part of her person at all hours of the day and night, and there are pyjamas fashioned of lame brocades so beautiful that one wonders why no law has been passed to protect them from being put into anything so trivial.

The ensemble invariably consists of two or three pieces, the long trousers, the top which either takes the form of a loose jumper that blouses over or else is shown attached to the trousers and forming one piece, and jacket or loose coat worn over both. Some designers, Jenny and Mary Nowitzky particularly, add also a short skirt to their pyjama ensembles, the idea being that you roll up the trousers of your pyjamas when the time arrives to regain your hotel, slip on the skirt and you are once more clothed in fit and proper feminine apparel to parade through the streets of the Lido.

**ON THE RIVIERA.**

But these dreams of exotic line and colour will not bloom in their Lido setting for many weeks ahead. Society, with an extra large S is still sunning itself down on the Riviera, and after it has thoroughly toasted itself, it will return to Paris in time to participate in the Grande Semaine that closes the season with a whirl of balls and race meetings at the end of June; then it will dash off to Biarritz for a week or two, and then and not till then will it pack a dozen of so pyjamas into a couple of wardrobe trunks and hie it to the Lido.

That being so, I will tell you now what Society is wearing while it suns itself on the Croisette or watches famous tennis champions smashing balls about on the tennis courts at Nice. And, first of all, I'll tell you about their shoes, for there is no place in the world where new ideas in footwear are launched to such an extent as on the Riviera, no place, where, to be considered well dressed, one must wear the smartest and most impeccable creations in the way of shoes. Coloured kid is by far the most fashionable note in footwear, providing the colour chosen is not a vivid one. Raven and royal blue are permitted, but red and green are quite taboo. By colour, I mean more that gamut of shades that come between nigger and champagne, such as tabac, beige, pain brule, sand and deep cream. As well as these, opal, silver grey, parchment, sauterie, Rugby tan and mauvette are popular. Sometimes two shades are combined, but this must be done with much discretion and two tones of the same colour be chosen rather than a contrast in shades. Whereas kid is now the favourite material for day shoes, it is rarely seen in black. Patent leather is preferred for black shoes, and, if possible

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**PEKING SYNDICATE REPORT.**

RESULT OF UNSETTLED  
CONDITIONS.

After a delay of five months, due entirely to the unsettled conditions in China, the report of the Peking Syndicate for the year to June, 1925, is published, and, as was generally expected, is not a very favourable one.

What with the war lords in close attendance, commandeering rolling stock at their pleasure and generally hampering the Syndicate's business, it is a wonder, says the *China Express and Telegraph*, that such a year closed with any margin of profit at all. The profit on the collieries actually fell from \$113,999 to \$26,304, and this drop is the chief item in the considerable shrinkage of revenue which the report reveals.

The coal output was not so seriously affected as sales, but there was no lack of demand: it was simply a case of inability to deliver owing to the occupation of the Syndicate's wagons by the military. In point of fact, had the military not interfered as they did, the Syndicate's sales, instead of showing a decline of \$41,000 tons, would no doubt have substantially exceeded those of the previous year. In the circumstances the strike which was started last July by the students as part of their campaign against British interests is all the more to be regretted. The effect of this further protracted interference will not be known until the report of the current year is made public. At the same time the Syndicate, though handicapped in its sales, was able to accumulate abnormal stocks, and these, with a return to normal transport conditions, should enable it to cope with the keenest possible demand.

The result of last year's trading is that a credit balance of \$230,829 is carried forward. So far as the permanent development of the property is concerned, reports are favourable, borings having increased the measurable supplies of fuel. Although it was formed as far back as March, 1897, the Peking Syndicate has never paid a dividend on any of its shares. There is no doubt that the potentialities of the property are immense, and it is to be hoped that the day is not remote when the long-enduring patience of the Syndicate will gain the reward it so richly merits.

**MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.**

Following the poor report, the annual meeting of the Peking Syndicate was not such a gloomy affair as might have been expected. Major Nathan certainly gave a doleful account of the conditions under which the Syndicate had been working, due to the dislocation of traffic arrangements on the rolling stock and of the Bolshevik influence which brought about a complete stoppage of work—but happily he was able to tell the shareholders that their property and machinery had not been seriously impaired, and that the men, who had been on strike, have now returned to their work. There is much to be done, of course, before the Syndicate will be able to resume its business on a normal footing, but, given a period of peace, there is no reason why the great potentialities of the Syndicate's property should not be realised.

It is obvious, of course, that an enterprise exposed to political interference must at all costs pursue a conservative financial policy. Formerly the payment of dividends was not possible because the Syndicate's mines did not work at a profit. Now, on the other hand, they have shown that they can be successfully operated, and only a spell of peace is required to bring within sight the payment of dividends. Meanwhile, the financial position is fairly strong, and shareholders comments the *China Express & Telegraph*, must only exercise further patience and hope for the best.

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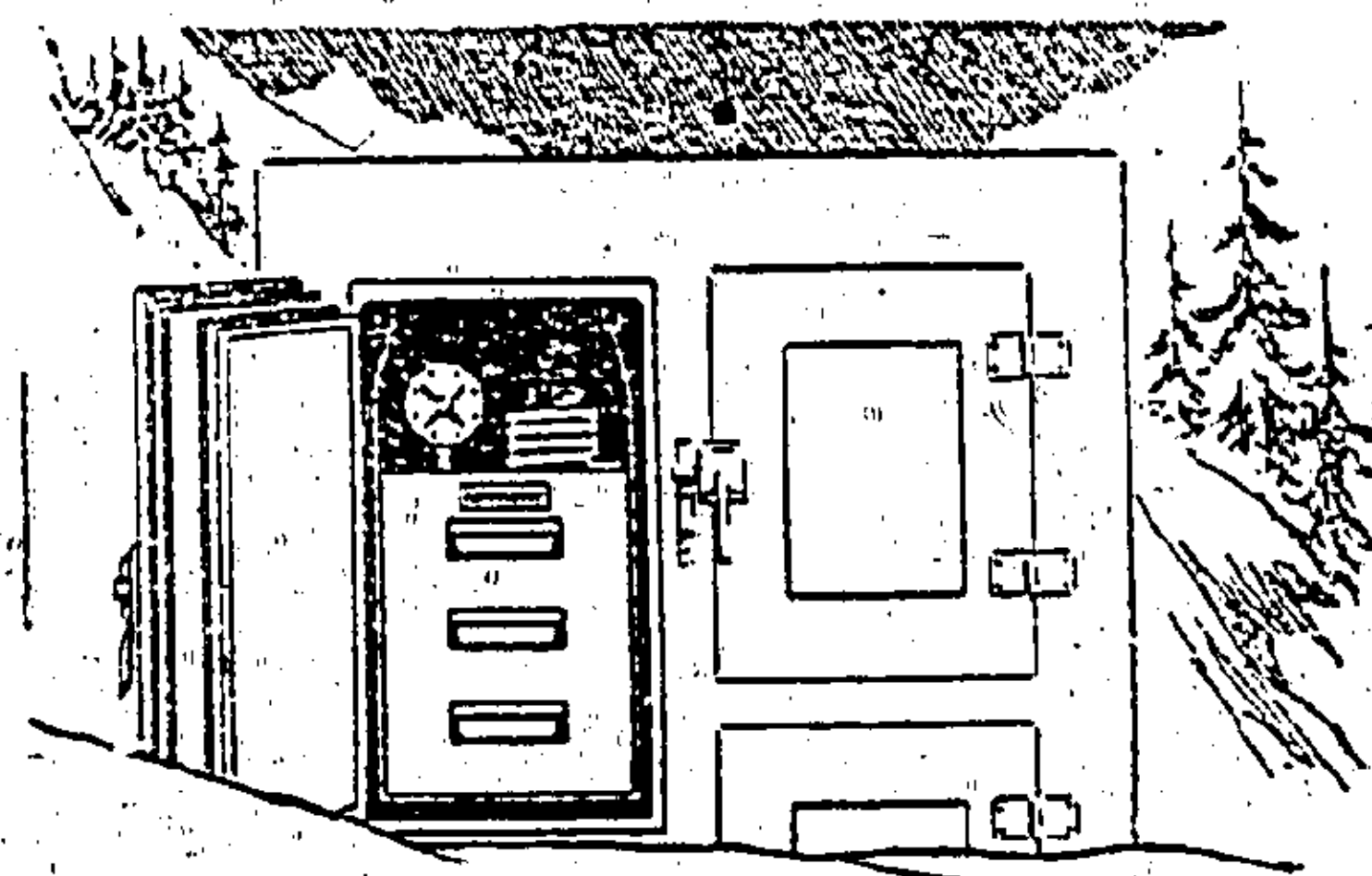
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## EXPLOSIVES FOR BOMBS?

ORDNANCE CLERK'S DEAL WITH DETECTIVE.

MIXTURE A HIGH EXPLOSIVE.

SIMILAR TO "FAMOUS RACE COURSE BOMBS."

MISSING CHLOROFORM FROM CHINA DISPENSARY.

The story of the alleged bargain between a Chinese detective, posing as the Chief Strike Picket at Shum Chun, and a clerk in the Ordnance Department, for the sale by the latter to the detective of explosives consisting of sulphide of arsenic and potassium chlorate, and also of chloroform, described in Chinese as "poisoned water," progressed a stage further at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when the hearing of the case against the clerk in question was continued.

The clerk, Rajab Salleh, living at No. 11, Heard Street, is charged on five counts under various Ordinances, including the Conspiracy Ordinance: (1) With being in possession of an explosive substance known as sulphide of arsenic and potassium chlorate, for other than a lawful object; (2) with possession of sulphide of arsenic; (3) with possession of a poison, namely chloroform; (4) with possession of 55 ounces of sulphide of arsenic; (5) with possession of dangerous goods, namely 65 ounces of potassium chlorate.

The case is being tried by Mr. R. E. Lindsell, Mr. T. H. King, Director of Criminal Intelligence, is prosecuting and Mr. A. E. Arculli appears for the defence.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Arculli cross-examined the Chinese detective at length, while an interesting feature of the hearing was the statement that an examination of the Poison Stock Book of the China Dispensary showed an unexplained shortage of three bottles of chloroform.

Reference was made to the fact that the mixture contained in the bottle sold to the detective was similar to that found in the "famous Race Course bombs" recently seized by the police at the World Boarding House, and which were the subject of prosecution and convictions at the Central Magistracy a short time back. Mr. E. R. Dovey, the Government Analyst, also gave evidence as to the high explosive power of the mixture.

### CASE RECALLED.

It will be recalled that when the case came up on Friday afternoon of last week it was stated that the clerk made a deal to sell certain explosive substances to the detective, who as a representative of the Strike Pickets, told the defendant that he required them for making bombs at Shum Chun. In evidence then, the detective related his two meetings with the defendant at a restaurant in Wanchai on April 22nd and 23rd. As a result of these meetings the detective agreed to buy two pounds of the explosive substances from the defendant at \$40 a pound, and subsequently paid over \$80 in notes, of which the numbers had been taken by the police. He was given a bottle containing a mixture of potassium chlorate and sulphide of arsenic, and was told to explain that the bottle contained curry powder if he were questioned about it. On April 27th the defendant, accompanied by "Mr. X," visited the Nam King Hotel, where the detective had engaged a room, and while on his way to this room, the defendant was arrested.

### DETECTIVE CROSS-EXAMINED.

In answer to Mr. Arculli, the Chinese detective said that he met the defendant on April 22nd through an introduction effected by a police informer (referred to at the last hearing as "Mr. X").

Continuing, witness said that the introducer spoke to the defendant, on the occasion of the first meeting in the restaurant at Wanchai, in English. Witness understood the introducer to mean that he (witness) was the man who had come there to buy the stuff.

Mr. Lindsell: Did the informer say in Chinese to defendant that you were the man who wanted to buy the stuff?—Witness: Yes. We then exchanged names in Chinese, and defendant asked me if I wished to buy.

Mr. Arculli: Wasn't the conversation to the effect that the defendant was introduced to you as a person engaged in making coloured lights and interested in crackers?—Witness: No.

### CHIEF STRIKE PICKET.

In answer to a further question by Mr. Arculli, witness said that he told the defendant he was the chief strike picket at Shum Chun.

Mr. Arculli: With plenty of money I suppose?—Witness: Yes.

The conversation in the restaurant took place in a room with a cloth curtain partitioned off—Yes, but the curtain was down.

So the conversation would be audible to a person in the next room?—The conversation was carried on in a very low tone and it could not be overheard. If it had been conducted in a high tone it might have been overheard.

With reference to that red book you mentioned? Was it brought by the police informer?—No. It was produced from the defendant's pocket and was wrapped in newspaper.

And defendant knew before he produced the book that you did not understand English?—We spoke a word in English.

Did he say that the names of the powders were given in that book?—He merely pointed out the bomb illustrations in the book and the amount of powder or explosive to be used for each bomb.

### NOT PLANTED.

Do you seriously mean to tell me that the defendant took so much trouble to bring the book along and did not bring the sample along?—The book was not brought on the first occasion. It was brought with the sample on the second occasion.

Mr. Arculli pointed out, and His Worship concurred, that at the previous hearing of the case witness said the defendant produced the book on the first occasion before going out for the sample.

Asked which was correct, witness said that he thought the book was brought on the first occasion.

Mr. Arculli put it to witness that the book was simply planted on the defendant by the police informer and that it was the informer who brought it?—Witness: No, nothing of that happened. The defendant had the book in his pocket, and he arrived after we got to the restaurant.

In connection with the experiment defendant made with the powder, did it go off with a bang?—No. It gave out no sound and no smoke, only a flare.

You said last time that defendant said that the powder came from the Ordnance Department. Did you ask for proof that the powder came from there?—No.

You were particularly to ask for a sample and you did not ask for proof that the stuff came from the Ordnance?—I did not ask for any proof.

### "POISONED WATER."

How did the subject with regard to poisoned water start?—Defendant mentioned the subject first. He said he also had liquid poison which could be used for making poisoned gas-bombs.

I put it to you that you had a toothache and asked what was good for it?—No.

Do you deny that the police informer asked defendant to get you a bottle because defendant said it had been prescribed for him before by his dentist?—Nothing of the kind was mentioned.

In answer to further questions, witness said that he met defendant the second time on April 23rd at the same restaurant. He then gave defendant \$5. Of this sum, \$40 was in payment for one pound of the explosive and \$10 was an account for a second pound.

### A LARGE "CUMSHAW."

Mr. Arculli: I put it to you that the \$50 was given as a "cumshaw" and not in payment for it, but for the trouble defendant took in getting the powder and mixing it for you.

Mr. Lindsell: It seems a large "cumshaw" for mixing a bottle of powder.

Mr. Arculli: Defendant is supposed to be an expert in these matters.

Mr. Lindsell: A sort of specialist's fee?

Mr. Arculli: Quite so your Worship.

Mr. Arculli, to witness: Have you ever seen curry powder?—Witness: Yes, I have.

Have you ever seen red curry powder?—No.

Mr. Arculli: Neither have I.

Mr. Arculli: I put it to you that your story that defendant said that if you were asked about the powder you were to say it was curry powder is all nonsense and was not actually said?—It was said.

### HARDLY LIKELY.

Why was it necessary to send "Mr. X" to find the defendant?—Because, I did not know where he lived.

Mr. Arculli: You knew he worked at the Naval Yard?

Mr. Lindsell: You can't see a strike picket from Shum Chun marching into the Naval Yard and asking for explosives.

Mr. Arculli: No, but possibly he could have telephoned.

Asked why he did not use the telephone to communicate with the defendant when he wanted to see him after the first occasion, witness said that he was not told the telephone number.

Re-examined by Mr. King: Witness said that defendant never told him his home address.

Did he ever suggest you should meet at his house?—Witness: No.

Detected Sub-Inspector Lane said he received from Detective Inspector Murphy five ten dollar banknotes. Later he gave these notes to the Chinese detective in question.

### ARREST DESCRIBED.

Detective Sergt. Carey said that on April 27th, about 8.30 p.m., he was on the Hungghom wharf, Connaught Road, Central, near the Nam King Hotel, in company with Lance-Sergeant Meadows and three Chinese detectives. He saw two public rickshas come along Wing Wah Road, with their hoods and sheets up and stop on the corner by the Nam King Hotel. The defendant got out of one of them, and was followed by an Indian. Defendant went into the Hotel and witness followed him, overtaking him on the first landing. Witness seized him and searched him. On defendant he found a bottle of liquid (which proved to be chloroform), three packets of powder and a small bottle containing liquid (also chloroform).

Witness asked defendant in Chinese where he was going, and he replied in English "To No. 1." Witness took him along to No. 1 room, where the door was found to be locked. Subsequently it was opened by the Chinese detective, who, with the Indian, was put under arrest with the defendant. Subsequently the three men were taken to the Canton steamer wharf, where Detective Inspector Murphy was met. They all returned to the Nam King Hotel again, and defendant was further searched.

The same night witness went with a party of police to defendant's house at No. 11, Heard Street, Wanchai, second floor. A search was carried out there, and later the various things found on defendant and at his house were sent to the Government Analyst.

Cross-examined by Mr. Arculli, witness said it was not raining when the rickshas arrived at the Nam King Hotel, although it had been until an hour previous. The weather, however, was still threatening.

Detective Inspector T. Murphy said on April 27th he gave a Chinese detective certain instructions and on the following day this detective made a report to him and gave him a small packet of reddish powder, which witness kept in safe custody. The same afternoon witness gave to Sub-Inspector Lane five ten dollar notes, of which he (witness) had taken the numbers and date of issue.

### HOUSE SEARCHED.

After speaking as to seeing the defendant with the Indian and Chinese detective under arrest on the evening of April 27th, Inspector Murphy described the search carried out a little later at defendant's house at Wanchai. In a cubicle was found a red military book, dated 1907, which gave a treatise dealing with the gunpowder plot and described different forms of explosives. In a desk was found some chemical formulae, and they also discovered a number of receipts and invoices for purchases of chemicals at the China Dispensary. Some referred to purchases of potassium chlorate this year and last.

Mr. King interposed that five headings referred to purchases in March 1925 of amounts of 5 pounds, ten pounds and twenty pounds.

Continuing, Inspector Murphy said that defendant was present during the search at his house. His wife was asked for her money, and she produced three ten dollar notes and one note for five dollars. Witness took possession of the ten dollar notes, the numbers of which, he subsequently found, corresponded with the numbers of the notes handed by him to Sub-Inspector Lane.

### MISSING CHLOROFORM.

Cross-examined by Mr. Arculli, witness said that he accompanied Mr. Arculli to the China Dispensary and inspected the Poison Stock Book. According to this book the Dispensary could not account for three bottles of chloroform.

There was shortage in the stock of this amount according to the book. They were told at the Dispensary that the shortage might have been due to a leakage sometime back. The Dispensary informed them that they allowed ten per cent. for depreciation, but were unable to furnish any definite information as to the missing bottles.

Questioned by Mr. Arculli as to the shape of the bottles at the Dispensary compared with the bottle of chloroform

in Court, witness said that the bottle in Court was similar in size shape and stopper to the bottles at the Dispensary. Mr. Arculli: I don't know whether you noticed the numbers at the bottom of the bottles at the China Dispensary?—Witness: I did not examine them underneath.

On looking at the bottle in Court, witness noticed that the underneath part of the bottle bore an embossed number, namely 450.

### HIGH EXPLOSIVE.

Mr. E. R. Dovey (Government Analyst) spoke of receiving from the police four bottles, four packets and one tin canister containing powders and liquids.

The contents of these, continued witness, he analysed. One bottle contained 15 ounces of pure chloroform. That came under the restrictions of the Pharmacy Ordinance. Another bottle contained an innocuous liquid similar to glycerin. Another bottle contained two ounces of pure chloroform; while the fourth contained 1 lb. 3 ozs. of a mixture of potassium chlorate and sulphide of arsenic.

Witness went on to describe this mixture as being a high explosive. It could be exploded either by means of a fuse or by detonation.

Witness, in reply to a question, said that it would very likely explode if he dropped the bottle.

Mr. King: Then for Heaven's sake don't drop it.

### RACE COURSE BOMBS.

Mr. King: Have you had any mixture before similar to that which you have in your hands?

Witness: Yes, it is similar to the composition of the powder recently found in the bombs.

Mr. Lindsell: What the famous Race Course bombs?

Mr. King: I am not alleging that the defendant made those bombs.

Mr. Lindsell: No, No.

Mr. King: This powder is the same as that found in the two bombs seized by the police at the World Boarding House?—Witness: Yes, except that those bombs had nitro-glycerine in them as well.

Continuing his evidence, Mr. Dovey said that the tin contained 75 ounces of crushed arsenic, while the paper packets sent him contained 15 ounces of finely powdered arsenic, 55 ounces of sulphide of arsenic, 65 ounces of potassium chlorate, and one contained magnesium. The chemical formula dealt with the preparation of Bengal Lights and such things as coloured fire.

### AN ARTIFICIAL PRICE.

Witness thought the cost of buying the various ingredients mentioned in the case (potassium chlorate and sulphide of arsenic) would be about 75 cents per pound. They were quite cheap.

Mr. King: If you got \$40 for that bottle of stuff—the bottle containing the mixture of potassium chlorate and sulphide of arsenic—you would regard it as very handsome profit?—Witness: Yes.

Mr. King: It is purely an artificial price for it?—Witness: The outside value of it is no more than \$2.

Mr. Arculli having intimated that his cross-examination of Mr. Dovey would be rather lengthy, His Worship adjourned the case until Tuesday afternoon.

Defendant was allowed the same bail as before, in the sum of \$2,000 cash.

## Hongkong Weekly Press.

THE WEEK OPENED WITH THE MEETING OF THE KUOMINTANG EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ON SATURDAY.

Then came the news that General Chiang Kai Shek had thrown down the gauntlet to the extremists and had openly denounced Bolshevik outrages.

Each day since there has been some fresh development of the political situation, and always the tendency has been in the same direction—towards the suppression of those acts which have prevented the re-establishment of friendly relationships with Hongkong.

The Boycott is not yet over but it would appear that the moderates in the Kuomintang are gradually gaining the ascendancy in the Party, and when their power is firmly established normal trading may be anticipated.

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## CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]  
THE MOROCCAN WAR.  
ABD EL KRIM ON THE RUN.

Fez, May 21st.

While the Eastern Sector is consolidating the positions recently occupied, the French have started in the Middle Sector another advance. They progressed twelve kilometers.

Abd el Krim, abandoned by the Beniuri Ashels, has fled westward.

## THE COAL STRIKE.

GERMANY TO HELP BRITISH MINERS.

London, May 20th.

The steps German miners are taking to help the British miners are indicated in a telegram from the Secretary of the German Miners' Federation received by Mr. Frank Hodges, stating that a conference of Miners in Germany has passed a resolution promising the miners of Great Britain the greatest possible help by carrying out the international resolutions already passed. German miners must refuse to work overtime, to prevent the export of coal to Britain and contribute as much money as possible to help the British miners. "The British struggle must be a step forward for the international control of the coal trade."

## L.G. AND LIBERALISM.

WILL HE SECEDE FROM THE PARTY?

London, May 20th.

In view of rumours that Mr. Lloyd George is seceding from the Liberal Party it is noteworthy that it has been intimated today that Mr. Lloyd George has written to Sir Godfrey Collins, the Chief Liberal Whip, indicating that no useful purpose would be served by his continued attendance at the so-called "Shadow Cabinet" composed of the principal Liberal leaders.

## EXPLANATION AND DENIAL.

LATER.

It is reliably declared that the resignation by Mr. Lloyd George of the Chairmanship of the Liberal Party and leadership in the House of Commons has never been considered.

It now appears that the latter mentioned earlier was written with reference to a meeting of the "Shadow Cabinet" convened during the strike, and that Mr. Lloyd George decided not to attend on the ground that Liberal policy in connection with it had already been declared by Lord Oxford and Viscount Grey in the *British Gazette*.

## TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.

GERMAN POWDER FACTORY BLOWS UP.

BERLIN, May 20th.

Forty people were killed and scores injured by an explosion at the Bavarian Powder Works, Hasloch—the most disastrous in Germany since the war.

Work was in full swing when powder in one of the workshops exploded, apparently through spontaneous combustion. Other explosions immediately followed with catastrophic effect. The entire factory was swept away leaving an enormous crater. Masonry, parts of heavy machinery and human bodies were hurled hundreds of yards. The shock of explosion was felt miles away. The ruins of the factory finally caught fire and firemen and rescuers were unable for some time to approach the injured, who were screaming in agony.

## THE DEATH ROLL.

LATER.

It is now officially stated that nine were killed and 50 injured by the explosion at Hasloch.

## THE KHALIFAT.

IMPRESSIVE SCENES AT THE CONGRESS.

CAIRO, May 20th.

Rapt listeners at the closing session of the Khalifat Congress were so impressed at the reading of the second Committee's report that many shed tears.

The Committee decided that the Khalifat, defined by the Koran, including the defence of Islam and Moslem lands and the execution of the Koranic Law, was impossible to apply to the present state of Islam and the position of the Khalifat. It recommended that an Islamic Congress be held periodically until time permits to institute the Khalifat in a form consistent with the interests of the Moslem world.

## THE FRANC.

IMPROVEMENT FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT SUPPORT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, May 20th.

Ambassador Berenger, prior to his departure for France, opined that the French Parliament would ratify the Franco-American debt-funding settlement, in the absence of which no revaluation or stabilisation of the franc was possible.

The French Government decision to support the franc has resulted in speculation, on the decline, turning buyers and the franc was forced to 3.01 as compared with yesterday's 2.95 closing rate. Belgians advanced sympathetically and also French and Belgian Government securities.

WASHINGTON, May 20th.

Addressing the House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee, Mr. Mellon predicted that when France had concluded her debt settlement with Britain as well as with the United States, she would be able to stabilise her currency.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ANGLO-AMERICAN FINANCIERS WILLING TO CO-OPERATE.

PARIS, May 21st.

The Government's action to support the franc, which resulted in a rise in the franc on New York, was the decision to create a central clearing office to take charge of forward foreign exchange dealings. The clearing office is to take the form of a joint stock company, wherein shareholders will be banks recognised by bankers and official brokers and certain industrial groups.

The *Echo de Paris* says that prominent American and British financiers appear to be willing to co-operate cordially with France if the latter can restore confidence at home and among the possessors of French capital abroad in such a way that the latter may be induced to bring back wealth to France.

PARIS, May 21st.

Dramatic measures are contemplated by the Government for the improvement of the franc for all transactions involving foreign exchanges.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

## PROHIBITION.

POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE UNITED STATES.

New York, May 20th.

The success of Mr. William Vare, the Philadelphia political "boss," in winning the Republican nomination as the Pennsylvania candidate for the Senate is considered in astute political quarters to indicate that Prohibition will be the outstanding issue in the Presidential campaign of 1928.

Vare, who made the liquor question practically the only issue of the campaign, defeated by 100,000 votes, such strong rivals as Governor Pinchot and Mr. Pepper, the latter being supported by President Coolidge and the Cabinet.

## \$32,000,000 FOR WARSHIPS.

NINE NEW SMALL BOATS FOR ARGENTINE.

BUENOS AIRES, May 20th.

The Cabinet has authorised the expenditure of \$32,000,000 for the purchase of small warships, including two small cruisers, three submarines, two destroyers and two gunboats, of a total tonnage of 15,000 tons.

Admiral Galindez will proceed to London soon in this connection.

## ELIZABETH.

NAME OF DUCHESS OF YORK'S DAUGHTER.

The *Evening News* understands that the baby Princess will be christened Mary Victoria Elizabeth, the last of which will most likely be used, thus reviving the famous name in British history. Victoria was chosen in accordance with Queen Victoria's wish that her descendants should be named Albert or Victoria, according to sex. Queen Mary will be the principal godmother at the christening at St. James's Palace this month.

The *Evening Standard* says: "Although she is so close to the Throne, there is no disappointment that the King's new grandchild is a girl. It gives their Majesties a grand-daughter when girl Royalities are scarce. Princess Mary, Lady Ramsey, and Princess Arthur of Connaught have only sons."

## FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]  
FIGHTING IN SZECHUAN.

JAPANESE MARINES LANDED AT CHUNGKING.

CONFISCATED PROPERTY RETURNED TO OWNERS.

PEKING, May 21st.

Mr. Wang Hui Ching has restored to the owners the Manchu property in the suburbs of Peking which Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang turned over to his brigadiers so that the rents would serve as pensions for incapacitated Kuomintang troops.

The confiscation of these properties, it is said, left many Manchus without means of livelihood.

A message from Chungking says fighting broke out on the 15th inst., between General Yang Sen's Szechuanese and the Kweichow Army under General Yung Tsu Min. The former emerging from the mountains opposite the city, crossed the river and initiated an attack, but retreated when the Kweichow forces were reinforced.

On the following day fighting was still proceeding. Between 20 and 25 missiles fell on steamers at Chungking. Marines were landed to protect the Japanese Consulate.

## THE CAPTURED AMERICAN.

BANDITS RELEASE THEIR PRISONER.

PEKING, May 21st.

The American Consul at Yunnan telegraphed on the 19th inst., saying that the local Governor had received a telegram reporting that Captain Betts had been released.

According to a previous report Captain T. J. Betts, American Language Officer, who is touring the provinces for language purposes, was captured by bandits on the 17th inst., near Lai Tou Po. Captain Betts belongs to the American Coast Artillery, and is well known in Peking in March on a mission to voluntarily undertake for the famine relief Commission, in connection with the organization of a new committee in Yunnan. On May 1st he telegraphed to Peking, stating he had completed his task, and intended to go overland to Chungking, where he expected to arrive on June 7th, instead of returning to Hanoi by rail. No word of him had since been heard. Of splendid physique, Captain Betts was a conspicuous figure in Peking. He was born in Newburgh, and speaks Chinese unusually well.

## EXECUTION IN SHANGHAI.

SEQUEL TO SHOOTING OF AMERICAN VOLUNTEER.

SHANGHAI, May 21st.

The Police Commissioner's report for April states that the Chinese, Lan Ho Sang, who fired from the New World building on June 2nd, 1925, shooting an American Volunteer and killing his pony, has been executed by the Chinese authorities, after trial by the Mixed Court.

It is significant from the Chinese standpoint that the man was beheaded and not shot. Accused made a graphic confession before his execution.

LANGUAGE QUESTION IN RUSSIA.

## ORDER OUT OF BABEL.

It is reported from Moscow that the President of the Central Executive Committee has instructed the Council of Commissars to work out new regulations governing the use of the various languages spoken in Soviet Russia, giving at the same time lines of action in accordance with which the language reform is to be carried out.

According to the suggestions made by the Central Executive Committee, the language of any autonomous whole in the Union of Soviet Republics may only be used officially on the territory of that particular whole. Thus, for example, Ukrainian (Little Russian) may only be used by Government offices in the Ukraine itself. Institutions of the Union are to correspond with the Government offices in the various National Republics exclusively in Russian. This means that the State-language of Russia will be Great Russian, for the Russian literary language based on the Moscow dialect. This resolution was forced by the Russian elements in the Communist Party in the teeth of the Jews, who would prefer to make German the State-language. The introduction of one State-language was rendered necessary by the continual language conflicts which have been arising in Russia, especially between the Central and Ukrainian Governments.

## Scottish Letter.

A VETERAN MISSIONARY.

DEATH OF REV. JOHN WATSON OF AMOY.

OLD GOLF RULES.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

EDINBURGH, April 21st.

The Rev. John Watson, M.A., who has just died at his residence, 55, Carden Place, Aberdeen, was for 33 years a missionary in China. Mr. Watson, who was 72 years of age, was born at Fordyce, Banffshire, and graduated in Arts at Aberdeen University in the early seventies. After studying for the ministry at the U.F. Church Theological College in Aberdeen, he acted for a brief period as missionary to Trinity U.F. Church, Aberdeen. In 1878 he went out to Amoy, the Treaty port in the province of Fukien, China, as a missionary of the English Presbyterian Church. From his headquarters at Amoy for 26 out of the next 46 years Mr. Watson travelled to the inland towns and villages of the province conducting evangelistic campaigns and establishing native missions run by Chinese pastors whom he himself had trained.

In later years, when he found that failing health would not allow him to travel into the interior, he established a training college in a town about 30 miles inland from Amoy. His kindly disposition made him greatly liked and respected among the Chinese, and even in times of disturbance he was never in the slightest danger, while his evangelical zeal did much for the cause of Christianity throughout the Fukien province. In 1899 Mr. Watson returned to this country, and held the pastorate of St. John's U.F. Church, Kelso, for ten years. In 1904 he went back to the Amoy district, and continued his labours there for 20 years, returning to this country in 1924 on account of failing health, to live in retirement in Aberdeen.

## THE GARB OF NEW GAUL.

It was a great delight to Scottish trippers made themselves sufficiently conspicuous, but the scenes on that occasion were eclipsed at Manchester.

Each contingent was headed by a piper or two, and marched out of the station to the skirl of triumphant music. "Several hundred kilts," says an English contemporary, "attracted much attention, but the new 'Garb of Old Gaul' appears to be plus fours, violent fair isle jerseys, chromatic garters, and variegated Tam o' Shanter." Such demonstrations must convince a section of the English population that the music hall type of Scotsman is not a caricature. How could they avoid thinking otherwise, beset as they were by hordes of young men wearing "fancy dress" of the most outrageous patterns and colours, singing sentimental Scottish songs, and dancing reels in the public thoroughfares? Manchester treated the invasion with good-natured tolerance and looked on with amusement; it had a feast of bagpipe music, individual and concerted, unparalleled in its history.

## AN OLD GOLF RULE-BOOK.

Contrasts between these crowded days when big golf events march in close procession and times when the world and the game were younger, are suggested by a little book of the rules of the King James VI. Club at Perth, dated 1800. The first Open Championship was held in that year, and there were no overseas challengers, no "gallery" problems. There were, as a matter of fact, only eight competitors. There were some quaint touches in the Perth Club code.

For example, Rule 2 stipulated that "the ball must be teed not nearer the hole (either in front or side of the hole) than six lengths, and not further from it than eight"; and also that "when two parties meet on the putting green the party first there may claim the privilege of holing out." The industrious habits of the good players of the Fair City, who made use of the North Inch, are no doubt reflected in Rule 4, which laid it down that "when a ball lies within a club length of a washing tub the tub may be removed, and when on clothes the ball may be lifted and dropped behind them." There is one curious proviso regarding the river. "Should a ball be driven into the Tay and seen by both parties it is considered not lost; if not seen by both parties, it is lost," and when the ball was lost the procedure was the same as it is to-day: play another ball as nearly as possible to where the first ball was struck, with loss of both distance and stroke.

## NAVAL INTELLIGENCE.

"HERBACEOUS BORDER" SLOOP FOR FAR EAST.

Several sloops of the "Herbaceous border" type are undergoing refit in home ports preparatory to service in tropical waters, for which service they are being specially fitted out. These include the *Sweetbriar* and the *Windflower* at Pembroke Dock and the *Rosemary* at Devonport, to where she was recently towed to complete the work—which is to cost £40,500—having been begun at Pembroke. The *Sweetbriar* and *Windflower* are of the improved "flower" class, their displacement being 1,200 tons, and their armament a couple of 4-inch guns, two 12-pounders, and a depth charge throwing equipment, while their speed is 18.5 knots at their h.p. of 2,500. The *Rosemary* has a displacement of two 4-inch guns, four 3-pounders and a couple of machine-guns. "It is understood," says the correspondent of the *China Express and Telegraph*, that one of these sloops is for the Far East.

TOO MANY CLOTHES FOR SCHOOLBOYS?

M.P. DOCTOR URGES BARE HEADS, BARE NECKS AND BARE KNEES.

"USELESS" HATS.

Attention is called by Dr. E. Graham Little, M.P. for London University, and schoolboy dress reformer, to the existence in England—actually in Gloucestershire—of a preparatory school at which scholars are allowed to dispense with uncomfortable clothes and wear instead shirts that are open at the neck, running shorts, and light shoes. Junior masters themselves have set the example to the boys.

(This principle has, of course, been adopted at the Scottish public school of Loretto for many years.)

Dr. Little, in support of his proposal to save schoolboys, during the summer at any rate, from the "underheaded impedimenta which a mere senseless fashion

"I think that if parents protest, sufficiently there is a good prospect of small boys being permitted to dress themselves in a much more comfortable way than is so general. The boys, who are now preparing to return to school next week, are doing so according to a formula that varies in its details but is nearly always wrongly conceived.

"I am convinced that all kinds of health troubles follow in later life, and there does not seem to be any adequate reason why a change should not be made. It is difficult, I admit, to defeat traditions with regard to dress at schools. There is no reason on earth why boys should be stuffed up with clothes as they are. They hate the things they have to wear, and would welcome a change.

"The greatest mistakes made are with reference to hats, collars, and boots, all of which, as a rule, are too tight. So far as hats are concerned the ideal would be to permit the boys to do without them altogether, for a hat is a futile thing. It becomes much worse when it is so tight that it leaves a mark on the forehead and excludes the air.

"Both the hat and cap are subject to this grave disadvantage. If a head covering has to be worn, let it be light and flexible—something like a Panama, for instance, and certainly not a hard straw boater.

"Then, with regard to boots. An American once told me that the boots made in his country were better than ours because American boots wore out quicker. So far as children are concerned, he was right; for the wearers grow so much. In three months a boy's boots may have become too small, but he has to wear them out, and that is not good for him.

"As for collars, they are unnecessary, and are nearly always too tight. Health is more important than neatness, and it is not good that children should be constricted at the neck.

## NO JACKETS EITHER.

"The schoolboy's jacket ought as a rule to be abolished and with it would go the collar. Much more sensible is the pull-over, which has the merit of having the same thickness all the way through, and doing away with a coat and waistcoat that is thinner at the back than the front.

"Running shorts above the knees are excellent, particularly when the legs are bare; while there is no reason, as I have said, for the wearing of a hat. The hair should be the natural protection against the weather. As to shoes, they should always be light and easy.

"The clothing that schoolboys have to wear to-day cannot be good for them, and it ought to be possible in these enlightened days to make a change that is more in accordance with health needs."

(In addition to Loretto, Sedburgh also applies dress reform methods, and there is also the case of Christ's Hospital, where the "useless hat," as Dr. Little calls it, is never worn.)

## OLD COFFINS.

USED FOR BUILDING A FENCE.

How a Chinese made use of the wood of some old coffins was related at the Central Magistracy yesterday when he was charged with having stolen the coffins from the depository at the Tung Wah Hospital.

The authorities of the hospital reported the matter to the police as soon as the disappearance of the coffins was discovered. Investigations were made, and the defendant was found to have made use of them for building a fence around a poultry yard.

Defendant admitted the charge, and pleaded that he did not know that it was an indictable offence, as he had only recently come to the Colony.

He was fined \$10 with the alternative of 10 days' imprisonment.

## MISSIONARY POLICY IN CHINA.

MEETING OF C.M.S. COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of the General Committee held at Salisbury Square, London, on April 13th, the Church Missionary Society's policy with regard to its missions was discussed.

Bishop Banister, late of Kwangsi and Hunan, reviewed the elements of ferment in Chinese life, which present great difficulties to the furtherance of all kinds of missionary enterprise.

At the same time he emphasised various grounds for optimism, laying stress on the abiding presence in China of the Spiritual faculty, together with the fact that repeatedly, and in many different ways, non-Christian Chinese express the conviction that the only hope for the future of China lies in the dynamic force behind the Christian religion.

It was mentioned that during the recent military activities, when guns were in action near to mission stations, the mission buildings had been thronged by Chinese seeking protection.

## A. MASONIC RESIGNATION.

Sir Frederick Halsey has resigned the Grand Lodge, having been active connected with Freemasonry for 65 years, for he was initiated in the Apollo University Lodge, No. 337, at Oxford in January, 1861, and from 1873 to 1922 he was Provincial Grand Master for Hertfordshire, vintical Grand Master for Hertfordshire, and has held office as Grand Superintendent of Hertfordshire-Royal Arch Freemasons and as Provincial Grand Master for Hertfordshire. He is now in his 87th year.

## "WHAT A GAME!"

FORECAST OF WAR IN THE PACIFIC.

## A LADY'S OPINIONS.

Mrs. Alec Tweedie, F.R.G.S., has returned to England, after concluding some 100,000 miles of travel in the Far East, quite convinced that within a few years there will be war in the Pacific between Japan and America. War is not a women's topic, and Mrs. Tweedie, who gives her reflections in a volume entitled "An Adventurous Journey," handles it rather loosely. She says:—

"When the Japan-American war comes Japan will win. Honolulu and the Philippines may be the battleground. The States are arming those islands and Panama (there were five American generals when I was there), and the coast itself, in spite of the Washington Conference. The Americans have Panama at one end of the Pacific, San Francisco in the middle, to say nothing of Honolulu and the Philippines. Singapore is, therefore, an absolutely necessary safe harbourage, repairing yard and half-way house for the British Empire at the western entrance. The Pacific is rapidly becoming the great centre of commerce because of its stupendous and ever-growing population. But war on either side looms ahead. That is how I feel after the seven years of wander, mostly in the Middle and Far East. Again and again I prophesy that within a few years there will be war in the Pacific. America has been getting ready ever since the Armistice in 1918. Japan, in spite of the earthquake and loss of ships and arms, is preparing. When America and Japan get at one another's throats, as they will, the Americans hope China will stand aloof, and perchance lend her ports and aid to themselves. But Japan will win, and one day may rule China. And Russia is trying to nab China on the other side. What a game. And war in the Pacific is preparing, and may begin before 1930."

It is not likely that the rambling opinions of Mrs. Tweedie will create any stir in the dovecotes. Her forecast is about as valuable, remarks the *China Express and Telegraph*, as her fantastic suggestion that America's bids for Chinese friendship are "clearly to get the ports of Vladivostok, Tientsin, Shanghai and Hongkong for their war vessels, their troops and food supplies, so as to control both sides of the Pacific."







## PREPARING FOR DEFENCE.

### FEAR OF ATTACK FROM NORTH.

#### MILITARY ACTIVITIES IN CANTON.

#### BOYCOTT QUESTION SHELVED FOR TIME BEING.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

In anticipation of an attack on Kwangtung and Kwangsi by order of Marshal Wu Pei Fu, the Kuomintang in Canton have issued formal orders to their troops to prepare for defence. The Kuomintang communiqué asserts that at least 50,000 men will be sent to face the enemies. Since May 19th, the Hunanese forces, under General Tan Yen Kai, have been concentrating at Shuiwan.

A number of the leading members of the Canton regime have recently withdrawn from the Communist Party.

Dr. C. C. Wu, son of the late Dr. Wu Tingfang, Mr. Sun Fo, son of the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen, General Chiang Kai Shek and nearly a score of the better known members of the Kuomintang, have informed the Communist Party and the Third International that they cannot attend their councils. M. Borodin, the Soviet High Commissioner, in Canton, however, will be retained as a political adviser to the Kuomintang.

The Ammunition Factory at Wuchow, Kwangsi, has been working extra time since May 15th.

The Kuomintang Headquarters at Wuchow has approved of a scheme to introduce military instruction in all schools above the middle grade. Some 42 institutions altogether in the Kwangsi Province will add military science and tactics to their curriculum. For a beginning, however, only 50 rifles will be issued to each school.

The question of the settlement of the boycott will not be publicly discussed notwithstanding the requests of labour, agricultural, trade, and educational interests in Canton and the vicinity for an early termination. The question would have been brought formally before the Central Executive Committee, according to those who pretend to an inside knowledge of Canton politics, had not the Kuomintang leaders been so fully occupied in preparations for withstanding an attack from the north. It is expected that military matters will take all their attention for the time.

Mr. Chang Ching Kiang, a veteran member of the Kuomintang and an early associate of the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen, was on May 20th elected Chairman of the Central Executive Committee of the party in Canton. Mr. Chang is a fellow provincial of General Chiang Kai Shek, from Chekiang. Mr. Chang will be entrusted with the duties of keeping on file all the names and addresses of Communists in Canton and regulating their future movement and activities.

A motion of Mr. Sun Fo at the meeting of the Central Executive Committee that all party organs should be instructed not to use the terms of "Left" and "Right" in reference to Reds and anti-Reds in Canton was lost as impractical. Mr. Sun was anxious to see the Communists formally disconnected with the Kuomintang.

The Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang will invite the return to Canton of General Hsu Chung Chi, Mr. Hu Han Min, and Mr. Wang Ching Wei, who have left on account of disagreements with other leaders of the party.

#### VARIOUS ITEMS.

The 10th Canton Athletic meeting was opened at the Kwangtung University ground yesterday. A grandstand for 15,000 spectators was erected; and to lend importance and encouragement to the meeting, some of the leaders of the Kuomintang in Canton participated.

According to an order of the Canton Commissioner of Police just issued, no police officer may smoke opium. All those who have formed this drug habit are instructed to break it off within a month.

## STAR THEATRE INCIDENT.

### PORTUGUESE SQUABBLE CARRIED A FURTHER STAGE.

#### HEARING AGAIN POSTPONED.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, before Mr. J. H. B. Nibhill, the case was resumed in which a number of Portuguese are appearing as a result of an incident at the Star Theatre, on April 23th, when the film "Lost in a Big City" was filmed.

The charges in detail are:—Miss Maria de Jesus Sequeira (the original complainant) is prosecuting Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Gill (of the Kowloon Post Office) for assault.

Mr. Gill is taking action against Messrs. M. and F. Prata and Mr. A. A. Barros for using threatening language. Mrs. Gill appears as complainant against Miss Sequeira and the Misses Beatriz and Celeste Gill (complainant's nieces) who are charged with disorderly conduct and assault.

Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones appears for Miss Sequeira and the two Misses Gill; Mr. Lo represents Mr. and Mrs. Gill, while Mr. D. McCallum is Counsel for Mr. A. A. Barros and the Messrs. M. and F. Prata.

Mr. Edwards José da Silva Loureiro again acted as interpreter for Miss Sequeira.

#### YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

At yesterday's sitting, Mr. Lo continued the cross-examination of Miss Sequeira.

Witness, in reply to Counsel, said that she had no idea of doing any harm to Mr. Gill in taking action in the Courts against him, in view of his being a Government servant. She merely applied for the summons as she was assaulted. She had not told her friends that by taking a case against Mr. Gill, she would obtain her revenge.

Mr. Lo then asked the interpreter to explain to witness that he (Counsel) was not going to cross-examine her as to what took place when Mrs. Gill called upon her (witness). Counsel, however, asked witness whether Mrs. Gill had apologized. The reply was in the affirmative, but witness added that she doubted the sincerity of Mrs. Gill in tendering the apology, later stating that she considered Mr. Gill should have accompanied his wife.

After further questioning, witness said she required the apology to be "in black and white."

In reply to Mr. McCallum, witness said that prior to April 23th, she had not been acquainted with Mr. Barros or either of the Messrs. Prata.

#### VOICES WERE RAISED.

She acknowledged that during the quarrel in the ladies cloak-room, she was very excited and voices were raised. "Naturally hearing the noise, the boys (Barros and Prata) came into the room." She did not see any of the boys remove their coats, they merely separated herself and Mrs. Gill.

In reply to the Chief witness said she was always, easily and naturally excited. However, she was not quick to take offence. At the Star Theatre, the picture had excited her and not the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Gill. "If I had any animosity against Mrs. Gill," continued witness, "I would have turned her out of my house when she visited me."

After Mrs. Gill entered the ladies' cloak-room, the door was left open, but no one could see inside unless he was standing practically in the door-way.

#### "SNOOPING" IN THEATRE.

Miss Beatriz Gill was next called. In reply to Mr. Hugh-Jones, she said that on April 23th when she was in the Star Theatre with her sister and Miss Sequeira, Mrs. Gill came in by herself and was about to take a seat two rows in front of them. She appeared to change her mind and sat immediately in front of Miss Sequeira. Mr. Gill came in later. As far as witness remembered she only laughed once, towards the end of the picture when Miss Sequeira and others were "snooping."

Witness had no recollection of kicking the chair on which Mrs. Gill was sitting; nor did she see Celeste (her sister) or Miss Sequeira do so.

Long before witness had laughed, she heard Mrs. Gill speak very roughly to Miss Sequeira for having kicked her chair. Miss Sequeira apologized, but witness heard no remarks made about Mr. and Mrs. Gill. Witness at no time had laughed at Mr. and Mrs. Gill, neither did she consider it fair to say that either Miss Celeste or Miss Sequeira were doing so. No further notice was taken in the cinema of either Mr. or Mrs. Gill, after Miss Sequeira had apologized. (Continued on next Column).

## DEATHS FROM RABIES.

### DANGER OF IGNORING DOG-BITES.

Two Chinese boys, each nine years of age, have died as the result of dog bites. One of the deaths occurred five days ago, but the occurrence only appeared in police reports yesterday.

One of the victims resided at No. 8, Clarence Street. He was bitten in the left hand by a dog in Chun Sing Street on April 19th. The wound was very slight and little notice was taken of it. On May 10th the boy complained of being unwell. He gradually became worse and on May 15th was removed to the Tung Wah Hospital. He died the same day.

The dog was captured soon after the boy was bitten, and was sent to Kennedy Town.

The other boy lived at 238, Queen's Road West, and was bitten on April 19th by an unknown dog. He complained to his father, and some Chinese medicine was put on the wound. He became suddenly ill on Thursday and was removed to the Government Civil Hospital. He died a few hours after being admitted.

## TO SAVE HIMSELF.

### CHINESE WHO ATTEMPTED TO BRIBE A CONSTABLE.

The fourth defendant concerned with the theft of 14 boxes of cheese from Messrs. Connell Brothers & Company, was charged at the Central Magistracy yesterday with receiving stolen property and with attempting to bribe a Chinese constable by offering him \$6.

Sergeant Carey said that the defendant had given material assistance to the police in effecting the arrest of three employees of the firm who were convicted the previous day. He had, however, used a forged chop on a document, in an endeavour to put the police off the track in regard to his own association with the theft.

Defendant pleaded guilty to both charges. Major C. Willson reserved sentence until this morning.

At the end of the performance, witness and her friends proceeded to the ladies' cloak-room. She had no reason to expect that Mr. and Mrs. Gill would follow them. There was a certain amount of laughter about the picture, when the party were inside the room, consequent upon another girl having opened the conversation.

Suddenly the door was violently pushed open, striking Miss Sequeira in the back and pinning Miss Celeste between the door and the wall.

Mrs. Gill, standing in the door-way, shouted "here they are, come, come!" Mr. Gill then appeared and stood by the door-way. Mrs. Gill then scolded Miss Sequeira "for having insulted her"; and in reply to Miss Sequeira said the insult consisted in the kicking of the chair. Mrs. Gill then upbraided witness and her sister, but Miss Sequeira told her "these two girls had nothing to do with kicking the chair."

The argument was cut short by Mr. Gill moving forward and striking Miss Sequeira on the shoulder with an umbrella.

Miss Sequeira was indignant, calling out "you strike me!" Mr. Gill then stepped forward and tapped Miss Sequeira on the face. Miss Sequeira pushed Mr. Gill to the wall outside and a struggle ensued, in which Mrs. Gill took part.

At that juncture Mr. Barros and Mr. Prata came up and separated the three contestants, taking Mr. Gill away. The two ladies continued to fight until Mr. Barros returned and separated them. That was the end of the incident. Miss Sequeira had offered no provocation. The only part witness took in the fight was to attempt to pull Miss Sequeira away, as she was nearest to her. Witness had not behaved in a disorderly manner, nor had she any intention of starting a fight.

#### AN UNSHARABLE WITNESS.

In cross-examination, witness told Mr. Lo that no greetings had been exchanged when Mrs. Gill entered the theatre.

After the last hearing of the case, witness had informed her solicitor of Mrs. Gill having changed her mind with regard to the seats.

A question put by Mr. Lo to Miss Sequeira at last hearing, had influenced witness to volunteer the evidence in this connection. Further questions were put by Mr. Lo but witness emphatically denied that Miss Sequeira had made use of the words, when addressing Mrs. Gill, "You know that your husband killed my god-mother?" She was "positive" that Mr. Gill was carrying an umbrella when he came into the ladies' cloak-room. She had never been out with Mr. Barros or either of the Prata boys, not even to a theatre. She had not met them before April 23th, though she knew their names. Neither Mr. Barros nor Mr. M. Prata offered to fight Mr. Gill during the incident at the Star Theatre. She would not be very surprised at Mr. Gill (her uncle) striking people in a quarrel. At this stage, the case was adjourned until next Tuesday.

## SIR ROBERT HOUSTON'S MILLIONS.

### SHIPPING MAGNATE'S GREAT ESTATE.

#### TREASURY MISSES £3,000,000.

The Star states that the fortune of the late Sir Robert Houston, the ship-owner, is estimated at between £3,000,000 and £7,000,000. He was one of the richest men in England.

Sir Robert Houston started life with one ship, and built up the famous Houston Steamship Line. He had few intimates and fewer relatives. When over 70 he married the widow of the ninth Lord Byron.

Sir Robert Houston's solicitor, interviewed in Jersey, denies that any legacy was left to a member of the Cabinet.

It is estimated that the death duties on the estate of the late Sir Robert Houston, shipping magnate would have amounted to about £3,000,000 had he been domiciled in Britain, instead of in Jersey (Channel Islands).

The Star, in a leader, says: "Sir Robert Houston's Jersey domicile represents an attempt to rob the country in which he was born of any death duties—a mean, unpatriotic device. If the fortune is as large as reputed, it could have borne the State's demands, and still left enough to satisfy every bequest and leave an enormous residue for the widow."

It is not yet clear whether the disgraceful attempt will succeed. Crown lawyers probably will have a great deal to say before the Chancellor of the Exchequer relinquishes his claim. Sir Robert Houston's action may lead to legislation limiting the activities of tax-dodgers, whether they be millionaires residing in Jersey or dukes converting their estates into private companies.

#### "THE PIRATE" AND HIS CASH.

Sir Robert Houston was a bluff, hearty seafarer. He walked with a slight limp. He had a big black beard and was nicknamed "The Pirate."

Later he lived in the Channel Islands, taking there securities of great value. He kept immense sums of ready cash in the banks and would purchase a ship for half a million for cash. He gave large sums to charities and friends on condition that his name was not mentioned.

A close friend says Sir Robert Houston left no surviving relatives.

## NANETTE RETURNS.

### HONGKONG'S LAST OPPORTUNITY.

Having broken all records since they came out East, the Quaints are returning for a farewell visit to Hongkong—en route for the Straits and India—on Saturday next, for a short season of four nights at the Queen's Theatre.

The Company tried to keep Nanette in the background but it was not to be, and by special request "No, No, Nanette" appears twice, on Tuesday and Wednesday, 25th and 26th.

On Thursday the Company appear as themselves, and are responsible, it is said, for a performance which can be guaranteed to draw crowds to any theatre.

The piece to be played on the last night has not yet been decided. In spite of the great heat, and the counter attractions of the fetes held in honour of the Spanish airmen, the Quaints had a great success in Manila, where they played for nine nights. This is the first time for many years that a first class English company has been in the Philippines.

After Hongkong the Quaints go to Singapore and to India where the tour ends.

## THE SINGAPORE BASE.

### DUTCH KEENLY INTERESTED.

Sir Frederick Whyte, ex-M.P. for Perth, late President of the Indian Legislative Assembly, has arrived in New Zealand.

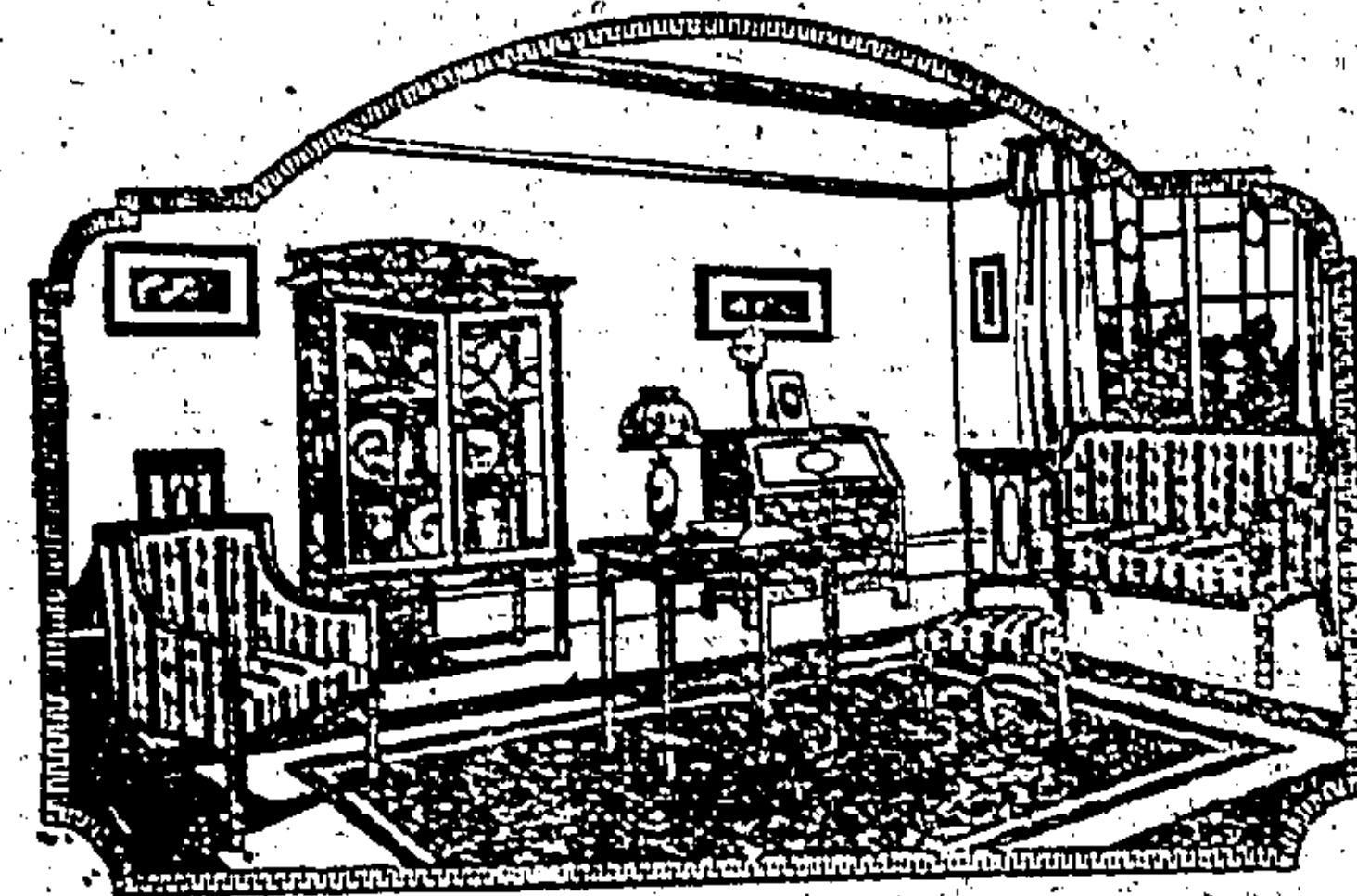
In the course of an interview he threw an interesting sidelight on the controversy in regard to the naval base at Singapore. He mentioned that during his visit to the Dutch East Indies he had found the Dutch much more interested in the project than anyone in India or Australia. "They could talk of it by the hour, and it was not difficult to see why. They control a large and very rich archipelago, so large that it would span the North Atlantic. Naturally they want to keep it secure from foreign aggression, and so they look upon the base as the best kind of insurance and free of all cost to themselves."

Sir Frederick commended the scheme for building up an Indian naval service as an extension of the policy of opening all the services to native Indians. The people of that country, he added, in spite of their progress towards self-government, were still living in isolation, their leaders knowing or caring little about other countries, even in the East.

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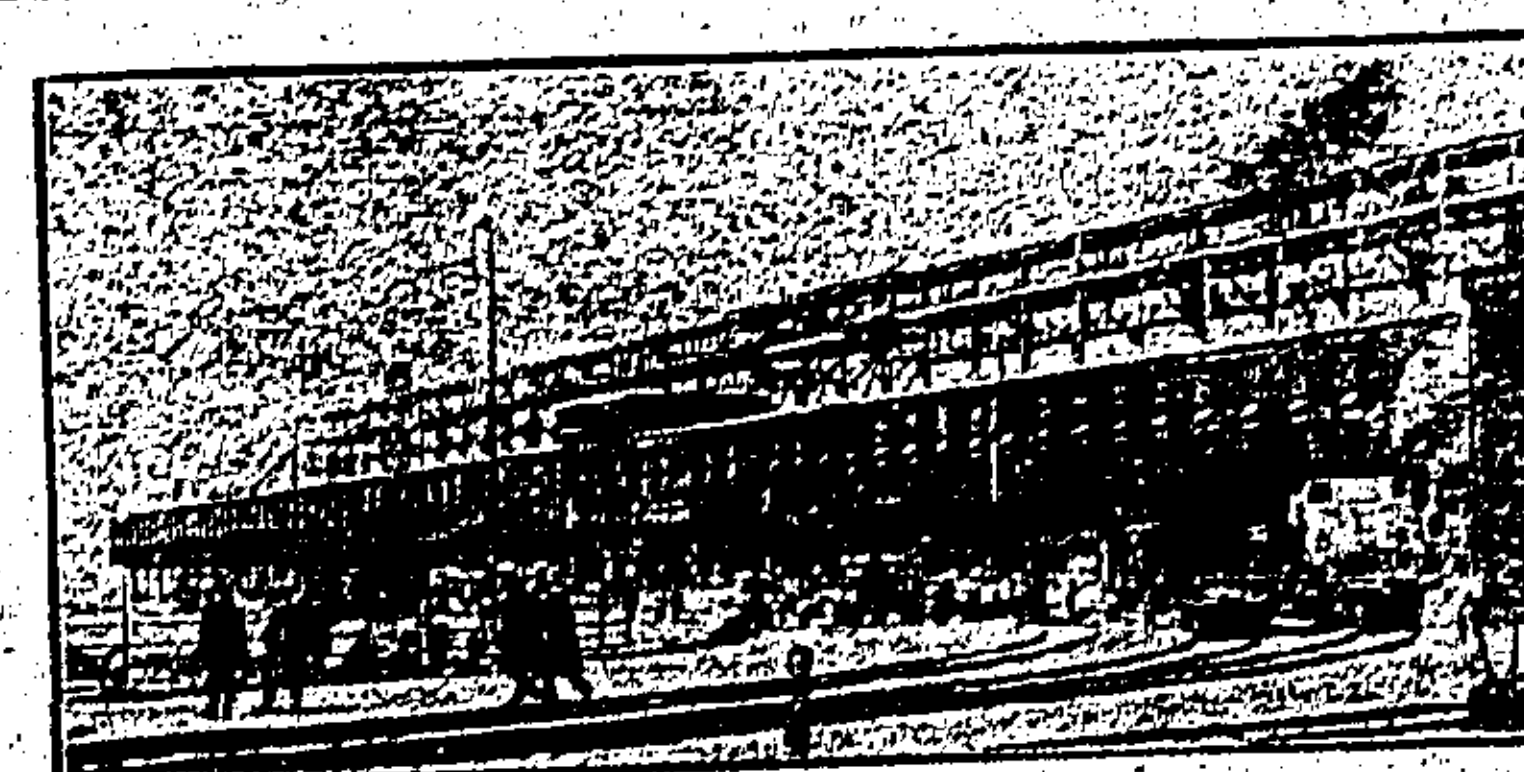
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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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## NOTICE.

ON WHIT MONDAY, 24th May, 1926, All Departments will be CLOSED. The Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department, will be OPEN for Dispensing Prescriptions from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M., and from 6 P.M. to 7.30 P.M.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 21st May, 1926. [3588]

## BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the TRANSACTION of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, the 24th INSTANT.  
Hongkong, 19th May, 1926. [3589]

## INSURANCE OFFICES.

## NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the TRANSACTION of BUSINESS on MONDAY, the 24th MAY, 1926.

By Order,  
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,  
Secretaries,  
FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG,  
MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG AND CANTON.  
Hongkong, 20th May, 1926. [3584]

## FANLING HUNT STEEPCHASES.

## WHITSUNTIDE MEETING.

MONDAY, 24TH MAY, 1926.

FADDLING BELL ... 2.30 P.M.  
FIRST RACE ... 3.00 P.M.  
ENTRANCE TO ENCLOSURE AND COVERED STANDS ... \$1.50 PER HEAD.

MOTOR CARS can be PARKED on the BALL opposite the GRAND STAND \$5 Per Car.

SPECIAL EXPRESS TRAIN to the Races Leaves Kowloon at 11.15 P.M.  
RETURN SPECIAL EXPRESS TRAIN Leaves FANLING STATION at 5.52 P.M.  
REFRESHMENTS will be Catered for by THE BITZ. [3561]

## KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

## FANLING HUNT RACES.

WHIT MONDAY 1926.

SPECIAL RACE TRAIN (1st and 2nd CLASS ONLY) will Leave KOWLOON at 1.15 P.M., Returning from FANLING at 5.52 P.M.

## FARES.

FIRST CLASS ... \$1.50  
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A Limited Number of TIFPINS (at \$1.25 Per Head) will be Served on the Train. TIFPINS must be Booked (TELEPHONE K261) Before 4 P.M. on SUNDAY, the 23rd. The Train scheduled to leave Kowloon at 5.52 P.M. is hereby CANCELLED. A TRAIN in Substitution will Leave for All Stations at 4.07 P.M.

By Order,  
H. P. WINSLOW,  
Manager.  
Kowloon, 21st May, 1926. [3582]

## PALACE HOTEL.

## BILLIARD HANDICAP.

A BILLIARD HANDICAP, 250 Up will be held at the PALACE HOTEL, Kowloon. SILVER CUPS will be Presented for the First, Second and Third Prizes, and a Special Prize for the Highest Break.  
Entrance Fee—\$3.00.  
Entries CLOSE on MAY 23RD. [3573]

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 5th JUNE, 1926 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the RACE COURSE, HONGKONG CLUB and CAUSEWAY BAY STABLES. ENTRIES will CLOSE at 12 O'CLOCK NOON on SATURDAY, 22nd MAY, 1926. [3556]

## NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I shall not be Responsible for any DEBT contracted by My Wife NORA LEE LOUBREIRO residing at No. 330, NATHAN ROAD (1st floor), Kowloon.  
Dated the 14th May, 1926.  
3569] WALTER LOUBREIRO.

## SAFE DEPOSIT VAULTS.

THE BANQUE DE L'INDOCHINE beg to inform All interested in SAFE DEPOSIT, that they have actually in their New Building, 5, QUEEN'S ROAD, SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES at the Yearly Rate of \$3 for the Small Size and \$12 for the Large Size. Please Apply to THE CASHIER. [3472]

LOST ON WEDNESDAY Night between the HUIKWA MAY INSTITUTE and QUEEN'S GARDENS A Platinum and Diamond BARBROOCH. Finder will be Rewarded. HASTINGS, DENNIS & BOWLEY, 8, Des Voeux Road Central. [3568]

## TO LET.

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## INTIMATIONS.

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## UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY, 1926, at 11 O'CLOCK A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1925, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from MAY 12th to MAY 25th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
PAUL LAUDER,  
General Manager.  
Hongkong, May 3rd, 1926. [3518]

## BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the SIXTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY, 1926, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1925, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MAY 12th to MAY 25th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
PAUL LAUDER,  
General Manager.  
Hongkong, May 3rd, 1926. [3520]

## THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the FIFTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY, 1926, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1925, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MAY 12th to MAY 25th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
PAUL LAUDER,  
General Manager.  
Hongkong, May 3rd, 1926. [3521]

## PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY, 1926, at 11 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 30th APRIL, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 24th MAY, to MONDAY, 31st MAY, 1926, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 18th May, 1926. [3578]

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

THE FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., Pedder Street, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 10th JUNE, 1926, at 11 Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3RD to 24th JUNE, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 20th May, 1926. [3587]

## TO LET.

COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOMS with Private Bathroom and Private Verandah TO LET with Good Board at the SOLENT BAY, WAI-WAI HOUSES on one of the Best Beaches and next to the MAINLAND GOLF COURSE. Special Rates for a Stay of More Than One Month.—Apply MRS. NIVEN, WAI-WAI HOUSES. [3572]

PREMISES TO LET in the DAIRY FARM BUILDING, PENNINGTON STREET, East Point, Floor Area, 4,205 Sq. Ft., Height, 20.40 Ft. Make Excellent Godown. For further particulars apply to the SECRETARY, THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD. [3536]

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## BIRTH.

SEAR.—On Friday, May 14th, at Hospital St. Marie, Shanghai, to the wife of SIDNEY ALFRED SEAR, a daughter.

## MARRIAGES.

GILBERT—KUSHNIR.—On May 15th, at H.B.M. Consulate-General, Shanghai, SIDNEY CHARLES GILBERT and POLLINA KUSHNIR.

JARDINE—NORD.—On April 15th, at Seone, KENNETH WILLIAM SEYMOUR JARDINE, fourth son of the late Sir JOHN JARDINE, Bt., K.C.I.E., J.L.D., to KATHARINE FRANCES NORD, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. CRANWICK NORD, of Perth.

ROBERTS—HYNDMAN.—On May 15th, at St. Joseph's Church, Shanghai, before the Rev. Father Jaquot de Besagne, S.J., JOHN CHAMBERLAIN ROBERTS, of Kirkdale, Liverpool, England, to WINIFRED DOROTHY HYNDMAN, only daughter of Mrs. P. Sidney Hyndman.

WILLIS—DA ROZA.—On May 14th, at the Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Shanghai, IGNEZ MARIA, daughter of the late Mr. P. J. da Roza and Mrs. da Roza, of Shanghai, to ALFRED CHARLES, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry George Willis, of Liverpool, England.

## DEATH.

JONES.—On May 14th, at the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, FRANK JONES, of The Straits & China Textile Co., Ltd., Shanghai, in his 57th year.

Hongkong Office: 14, Chater Road.  
London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 22ND, 1926.

## NEWSPAPERS AND DIVORCE CASES.

It is permissible to say that a vote of 222 for and only 3 against a Parliamentary Bill is fairly conclusive. That is what happened when the House of Commons concluded the debate on the second reading of the measure which seeks to restrict the publication of obscene details in reports of divorce cases and similar court proceedings. A great deal of interest has been aroused in England respecting this question of publicity. The Press are naturally concerned in legislative action affecting the freedom of reporting cases before the courts; but so are many other sections of the community. Perhaps it is not surprising that religious bodies have

exerted their weight and influence to induce the House of Commons to place restrictions upon newspapers which habitually offend against the most elementary principles of public decency in their handling of sensational cases in the law courts.

The Bill, introduced by Major KINDERSLEY, the Conservative Member for Hitchin, has considerable importance for British people, not only at home but overseas. The House of Commons, was assured by the mover that great harm is done in our Eastern Empire, the Dominions, and foreign countries because the disproportionate space given to cases containing unsavoury details conveys an entirely wrong impression of English social and domestic life. Sir JOHN SIMON, the eminent lawyer, who sits as a Liberal for the Spen Valley Division, impressed the House by relating his personal experience during a journey in India. He stopped at a wayside railway station where to his surprise, he found an English newspaper for sale on the bookstall. He saw a large number of people buy copies, and he also bought one. Among the purchasers were educated Indian natives, who are very critical of English ways. The sheet that he bought contained in every prominent part nothing but unnecessary and elaborate accounts of a series of cases, including the HAYLEY MORRIS case, and a number of divorce cases, the importance of which to the proprietor was obviously measured not by their public interest but the effect they would have in attracting the money of the public. Sir JOHN SIMON confessed that he felt shame, it was intolerable to an Englishman travelling in India, he declared, that he should feel the natives were buying that paper to learn such an epitome of English life.

Of course, under the existing law, newspapers are debarred from publishing reports which are against public morals. It is common knowledge that the vast majority of newspapers exclude details of law cases of a salacious character, and if all journalists maintained that standard of taste and professional responsibility Major KINDERSLEY's Bill would never have been drafted. But unfortunately there are others. A small number of newspapers habitually dish up all the garbage of the courts they are able to collect for the satisfaction of vulgar and prurient minds. This has been particularly noticeable since the war. There are papers which make "stunts" of sensational divorce cases because they contain features which are grossly indecent or because the parties occupy what is supposed to be a superior social position. The question how these flagrant offences can be effectively dealt with has been recently discussed in journalistic quarters at home. The Newspaper Society, which comprises the leading newspaper proprietors of the country, were asked to come to an agreement among themselves, but they were unable to arrive at any conclusion beyond a suggestion that all divorce cases should be heard in camera. This, however, is at variance with the principles of English justice and might lead to abuses so that it was not entertained. There remained, therefore, no other way for the reformers to proceed except by legislation—to ask Parliament to do for the Press what the Press could not do for itself.

We are glad to find that the newspapers in England are favourably disposed to the Bill so far as its main object is concerned. But as drafted it is very crude, and will require a great deal of amendment in Committee. The Home Secretary, Sir W. JOYNSON-HICKS, on behalf of the Government—who are to afford the Bill facilities has given an undertaking that newspaper proprietors would be fairly dealt with and the journalists who report cases in the courts would not be penalised. It was this assurance, which the Houses of Commons accepted, that explains why the Bill received such overwhelming support on the second reading. As to the scope of the proposed legislation it is proposed to prohibit the publication of all but a limited number of particulars about divorce proceedings and nullity suits. In these cases the Bill

allows publication only of the names and addresses of the parties, a concise statement of the grounds on which the proceedings are brought, submissions on points of law, the summing up, the finding and judgment. That is the kernel of the Bill.

So far as these cases are concerned it will make impossible the daily debauch of intimate detail which at present disfigures a part of the Press and undoubtedly demoralises a part of the public mind. We do not think the liberty of the Press will be in any degree endangered by the proposed legislation. Well conducted journals have nothing to fear, but a curb will be placed on those who are only too ready to exploit for gain the weakness and passions of human nature. Above all the Bill should help to prevent harm from being done to our national prestige in the eyes of foreigners who cannot be expected to understand that what the "stunt" Press loves to feature at great length are abnormal incidents and in no wise representative of English domestic life and culture.

## GOVERNMENT HOUSE RECEPTION.

It is officially announced that the civilian dress for the Reception at Government House on June 3rd will be a white short coat.

A fitter from Taikoo Dock, who had his hands and feet burned, has been admitted to the Government Civil Hospital.

There was one Chinese case of cerebrospinal fever and one Chinese case of rabies reported during the 24 hours ended May 20th.

A Chinese boy, on Thursday, fell from Kennedy Road to Fung Wong Terrace, a distance of over twenty feet. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending May 8th amounted to 47,858 tons, and the sales during the period to 32,701 tons.

At the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday, Mr. W. B. Hind was summoned by his wife for failing to maintain her. The case was adjourned for a week as Mr. Hind was absent.

A car, driven by Mr. C. H. Soper, of 12, Magazine Gap Road, The Peak, knocked down a Chinese in Shaikwan on Thursday. The Chinese received slight head injuries.

The engagement is announced in London between Dr. Arthur I. G. McLaughlin, of St. Thomas's Hospital, and Miss Norah Chater, niece of Mr. Gregory Apcar, of 19, Avenue Road, N.W.8.

The Old Pupils' Association of the Diocesan Girls' School held a social evening at the School yesterday evening. It was well attended, and an excellent musical programme added to the success of the gathering.

An engagement is announced in London between Mr. Hubert F. Phillips, of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, and Miss Nina M. Powell, daughter of Dr. Llewellyn Powell, of 10, Duke-street-mansions, W.1.

Among the passengers arriving in Hongkong by the R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* on Thursday evening were Mr. Allan Cameron (Oriental Manager of the C.P.S.), who has been on a business trip to Japan, and Mrs. Cameron.

The forty-fifth ordinary general meeting of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., is advertised to take place at the offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Thursday, June 10th, at noon.

A Chinese was found at King's Park on Thursday suffering from the effects of strangulation. He died later in the Kwong Wah Hospital. He had apparently strangled himself with his own girdle, which was found beside him.

Among the many wreaths deposited on Primrose Day (April 19th) on Disraeli's statue in Parliament-square was a large shield of primroses, with the famous phrase, "Peace with Honour," worked out in purple, from the representatives of the late Mr. R. E. Bellias, Hongkong.

The Hon. Sir Shou Son Chow and Lady Chow, Mr. J. H. Taggart, Managing-Director of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., and Mr. J. Gubbay, returned from Shanghai to Hongkong by the R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* on Thursday evening.

The christening of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Locker, of The Grove, Great Baddow, Chelmsford, took place at Sandon Church, Essex, on April 11th, the Rev. Kenneth Best officiating. The child was named Gillian Stella, and the god-parents were Colonel F. H. D. C. Whitmore, Rear-Admiral H. L. d'Estotville Skipwith, Mrs. E. J. Coles, and Miss K. Foster.

The annual reunion of the Victorian Diocesan Association (a Hongkong body in London) is to take place on June 2nd at Victory House, Leicester-square, W.C.2, when the chairman will be Sir Frederick Lugard, a former Governor of Hongkong, and among the speakers will be Sir Claud Severn, late Colonial Secretary; H.E. the Chinese Minister, and the Rev. C. R. Shann, Warden of St. John's Hall, Hongkong University.

A dinner is being given at the Hongkong Hotel to-night, in honour of Dr. W. W. Pearse, M.O.H., who leaves for Home on the 29th inst. after 23 years' residence in the Colony. On behalf of the heads of Government Departments, Mr. N. L. Smith, President of the Sanitary Board will present him with a silver cigarette box, and on behalf of the Sanitary Department, including the Board, with a gold cigarette case, gold match box, gold knife and a dressing table clock. Speeches will be made by Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Mr. P. T. Lamble, Mr. E. W. Hamilton and Dr. Black. The Lyric Orchestra will be in attendance.

## LOCAL WILL.

## LATE MR. D. K. BLAIR'S ESTATE.

The late Mr. D. K. Blair, formerly Secretary of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, and later of the Cotteridge Hotel, Woking, England, where he died on February 15th of this year at the age of 49 years, left property in the Colony valued at \$130,800.

Probate of the will has just been granted at the Supreme Court to Mr. C. A. de Roza, of St. George's Building, who is an executor and trustee. Deceased also appointed his wife as executrix and trustee.

He left to his sister, Jessie Martin, and his two brothers, J. and W. Blair, \$100 each. He enjoined that \$1,000 should be given to each of his children, Walter Blair, Kate H. Blair, and Elizabeth K. Blair, on attaining the age of 21 years.

The residue of the estate he left to his widow, Mrs. K. E. F. Blair.

## MR. J. K. GRANT.

The late Mr. John Kintrea Grant, of Cragmor Sanatorium, Colorado Springs, Colorado, U.S.A., formerly of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, left £19,391 (personal estate in Great Britain).

## A CHINESE SHIPBUILDER'S ESTATE.

Tsui Ping Nam, late of No. 12, Prince's Terrace, managing-director of the Kwong Tak Cheong Shipbuilding, Engineering & Dock Company, Ltd., who died on September 1st, 1924, left estate to the value of \$468,600. Probate of the will has only just been granted. Deceased shared his estate amongst his family.

## VISIBILITY OF TYPHOON SIGNALS.

## THEIR DUPLICATION REQUESTED.

The obscuration of the Time Ball and Typhoon Signals, increased lately by the building of the Peninsula Hotel, has been under consideration for some time by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

We understand that the Chamber has now asked the Government to consider the question of the duplication of these signals with the object of making them visible to ships in the Western area of the Harbour.

## PROPERTY SALES.

At the China Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon there was some fairly brisk bidding for a leasehold property, which was sold by order of the mortgagee.

The property is registered as the remaining portion of Inland Lot No. 282A and contains the buildings known as Nos. 14 and 17, Possession Street. The area is about 1,624 square feet, and the annual Crown rental is \$15.

Starting at \$30,000, bids of \$1,000 followed for a time, but were eventually dropped to \$500, until the sum of \$40,000 was reached, at which figure Mr. Cheong Shiu became the purchaser.







## SHIPPING NEWS.

## ARRIVALS.

May 21st.

*Empress of Russia*, British str., 16,810 tons, Capt. A. J. Hosking, R.N.R., from Vancouver, and Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, she left Vancouver on May 15th, with flour, autos and general cargo amounting to 115 tons, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—C.P.R.

*Kanchoo*, British str., 12,116 tons, Capt. D. Williams, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 10, C.P.R.

*Kawachi Maru*, Japanese str., 2,300 tons, Capt. Kiyoshi Ogawa, from Buenos Aires and Singapore, she left port she left on May 15th, with 2 tons of dried fish, lying at buoy No. 10, C.P.R.

*Phoenicia*, British str., 1,600 tons, Capt. A. Hall, from Saigon, which port she left on May 15th, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. 10, C.P.R.

*Sui Yik*, Chinese str., 178 tons, Capt. Lo Shui, from Sha U Chung, with fruit and cattle, lying at Luen Cheong Wharf.—Fook Hoi S.S. Co.

*Tanlin*, French str., 361 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 10, C.P.R.

May 21st.

*Fook Sang*, British str., 1,187 tons, Capt. T. Grant, from Calcutta and Singapore, the latter port she left on May 15th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

*Kwongchow*, British str., 1,572 tons, Capt. J. D. Milne, from Bangkok, which port she left on May 15th, with rubber, rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. 121, B.W.S.

*Moroka Maru*, Japanese str., 2,000 tons, Capt. S. Amami, from Calcutta and Singapore, the latter port she left on May 15th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

*President Wilson*, American str., 3,319 tons, Capt. Henry Nelson, from Manila, which port she left on May 19th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Holland S.S. Line.

*Santa*, Portuguese str., 100 tons, Capt. C. A. da Souza, from Kwang Chow and Macao, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 10, C.P.R.

*Tak Hing*, Chinese str., 100 tons, Capt. Lo Shui, from Nam Tau, with vegetables, lying at Luen Cheong Wharf.—Fook Hoi S.S. Co.

## CLEARANCES.

May 21st.

*Amoy*, for Singapore.

*Chongchow*, for Swatow.

*Hongkong*, for Singapore.

*Hydrangea*, for Kwang Chow Wan.

*Kanchoo*, for Haiphong.

*Leona*, for Shanghai.

*President Wilson*, for Shanghai.

*Sui Yik*, for Kwang Chow Wan.

*Sui Yik*, for Sha U Chung.

*Tanlin*, for Manila.

*Tak Hing*, for Haiphong.

*Wing Hong*, for Amoy.

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per S.S. *President Wilson*, from Manila, on May 21st: Mrs. I. Cohen, Mr. C. W. Cumming, Mr. and Mrs. K. Carson, Mr. George L. Evans, Mr. C. Elkins, Miss C. Garcia, Mrs. A. P. Gooden, Mrs. S. Hirschberg, Mr. T. Karamchand, Miss Emily Low, Mrs. F. Lowenthal, Mr. F. G. Roth, Mr. F. Ramechand, Miss J. Stoppa, Mrs. B. M. Thompson, Mr. H. F. Valiran, and Mr. James W. Young.

Per R.M.S. *Empress of Russia*, from Vancouver, and ports, on May 21st: Mr. C. C. Knight, Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. W. H. Peters, Mrs. A. E. Turner, Mr. A. L. Shields, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cameron, Mr. C. G. Anderson, Sir Shou Son Chow and Lady Chow, Mr. and Mrs. Diddisheim, Mr. S. Y. Gattas, Mrs. B. A. Green, Mr. J. Gibby, Mr. M. Koyro, Mr. H. K. Murphy, Mr. A. E. Shepherd, Mr. J. H. Tuggart.

## DEPARTURES.

Per R. M. S. *Empress of Russia*, for Manila, on May 22nd: Mr. Y. S. Augustin, Mr. Any Lay Lee, Mr. Any Fanjin, Mrs. D. Beck, Mrs. G. G. Harbutt, Mr. and Mrs. H. Cronbie, Miss E. Cronbie, Miss C. M. Cronbie, Mr. H. Bivar, Mr. O. A. Boin, Miss R. Drakeford, Miss A. Dillon, Mrs. C. Farnworth, Mrs. J. H. Featherston, Mr. P. E. Fernandez, Mrs. B. F. Faw, Mrs. C. M. Glaiserman, Miss C. Glaiserman, Miss M. Glaiserman, Miss A. Glaiserman, Mrs. K. E. Hinto, Mrs. G. Harris, Miss D. Harris, Mr. O. D. Hoggar, Mrs. C. Keye, Mrs. C. de Leon, Mrs. C. B. Lara, Mrs. J. B. Lander, Mrs. F. W. Matheson, Mr. W. W. Mera, Mrs. E. Mannion, Master Mannion, Mr. B. C. Owens, Mr. S. P. Runcie, Lieut. and Mrs. E. N. Roberts, Mr. G. S. Hayes, Mrs. Regan, Mr. A. Santos, Mr. I. Santos, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Stickland, Mr. C. C. Trinidad, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Van Tye, Mrs. N. Trimble, and Mrs. L. Yang.

## SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The *Empress of Russia* is due here from Manila on Tuesday morning, May 23rd, at 8 a.m. and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf. She will sail for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at noon on the 28th inst.

The P. & O. s.s. *Kalgan*, from Hongkong, arrived at Marseilles on May 20th, at 7.50 a.m.

## HONGKONG SHIPPING.

Yesterday's shipping statement showed a considerable decrease in cargo both for Hongkong and for ports beyond. Hongkong cargo was roughly 10,000 tons down; and that for ports beyond just over 23,000 tons below that entered for the preceding twenty-four hours.

At 9 a.m. yesterday there were 57 vessels in the harbour, of which 26 were British. During the previous twenty-four hours eleven vessels arrived, viz.: four British, one French, one Dutch, two Japanese and three Chinese. The departures over the same period came to twenty, viz.: nine British, two Dutch, six Japanese, two Chinese and one American. They were for the following ports:—For Haiphong, two British; for Muntok, one Dutch; for Nagasaki, one Japanese; for Hankow, one Chinese; for Manila, one British and one American; for Shanghai, three British and one Japanese; for Keelung, one Japanese; for Saigon, one British; for Miri, one Dutch; for Singapore, one British; for Batavia, one Japanese; for Amoy, one British; for Hongkong, one Japanese; for Sha U Chung, one Chinese; for Tsingtau, one Japanese. Clearances over the above period came to seven, viz.: two British, two Japanese and three Chinese. They were as under:—For Hongkong, one British; for Singapore, one Japanese; for Kwang Chow Wan, two Chinese; for Manila, one British; for Yokohama, one Japanese; for Saigon, one Chinese.

## CARGO ENTERED.

(During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.)

For Hongkong ..... 8,333 tons.  
For ports beyond ..... 10,021

Total ..... 18,354

(During the previous 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Thursday.)

For Hongkong ..... 18,499 tons.  
For ports beyond ..... 23,236

Total ..... 41,735

Of the cargo entered for Hongkong, over half was in British bottoms, namely 4,085 tons. The two heaviest entries were 2,200 tons and 1,784 tons of rice and general cargo, with another 1,170 tons of general cargo. Of the remaining 3,248 tons, two entries just turned the thousand tons. With the exception of 188 tons in a British steamer, the whole of the freight for ports beyond was divided between three vessels, the two heaviest entries being 1,025 tons and 3,579 tons.

The arrivals for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were as under:

*Kanchoo* (British) from Saigon with 2,000 tons of rice and general cargo.

*Kanchoo* (British) from Shanghai with 1,170 tons of general cargo, mail and 69 tons for ports beyond.

*Hydrangea* (British) from Kwang Chow Wan with 132 tons of general cargo.

*Phoenicia* (British) from Saigon with 1,784 tons of rice and general cargo.

*Tanlin* (French) from Haiphong with 1,200 tons of general cargo and mail.

*Tak Hing* (Dutch) from Batavia and Balikpapan with 864 tons of general cargo, 230 tons of transhipping cargo, mail and 1,019 tons for ports beyond.

*Nippon Yusen Kaisha* (Japanese) from Osaka and Moji with 426 tons of glass and porcelain ware, brass sheets, and cotton goods, mail and 1,023 tons for ports beyond.

*Kawachi Maru* (Japanese) from Buenos Aires and Singapore with two tons of general cargo, mail and 2,670 tons for ports beyond.

*Pao Sang* (Chinese) from Kwang Chow Wan with 400 tons of general cargo.

*Tak Hing* (Chinese) from Nam Tau with three tons of vegetables.

*Sui Yik* (Chinese) from Sha U Chung with three tons of fruit, etc.

Later arrivals yesterday, too late for inclusion in the above returns, were:—*Empress of Russia* (British) from Vancouver and Shanghai with 25 tons of general cargo, mail and 750 tons for ports beyond.

*Pakhoi* (British) from Hongkong, with a cargo of coal for ports beyond.

*Fook Sang* (British) from Calcutta and Singapore with 2,243 tons of general cargo, mail and 1,317 tons for ports beyond.

*Kwongchow* (British) from Bangkok with 800 tons of timber, rice and general cargo and mail.

*President Wilson* (American) from Manila with 261 tons of mangoes and hemp, mail and 500 tons for ports beyond.

*Sui Yik* (Portuguese) from Kwang Chow Wan and Macao with 190 tons of general cargo.

*Moroka Maru* (Japanese) from Calcutta and Singapore with 1,572 tons of general cargo, and 2,935 tons for ports beyond.

*Tak Hing* (Chinese) from Nam Tau with 40 piculs of vegetables and two of fish.

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

*Ben Line* (Ben Line), due May 25th. (Cable: N.D.L.), due to-morrow.

*Empress of Australia* (C.P.R.), due June 2nd.

*Prim* (P. & O.), due to-day, about 11 a.m.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

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| EMPRESS OF RUSSIA...    | July 23  | July 25   | July 28  | July 31   | Aug. 9     |
| EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA... | Aug. 6   | Aug. 9    | Aug. 11  | Aug. 14   | Aug. 25    |
| EMPRESS OF ASIA...      | Aug. 19  | Aug. 22   | Aug. 25  | Aug. 28   | Sept. 8    |
| EMPRESS OF CANADA...    | Sept. 3  | Sept. 5   | Sept. 8  | Sept. 11  | Sept. 20   |
| EMPRESS OF RUSSIA...    | Sept. 16 | Sept. 19  | Sept. 22 | Sept. 25  | Oct. 4     |
| EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA... | Oct. 1   | Oct. 3    | Oct. 6   | Oct. 9    | Oct. 20    |
| EMPRESS OF ASIA...      | Oct. 14  | Oct. 17   | Oct. 20  | Oct. 23   | Nov. 1     |

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|-----------------|----------------|-----------------------|------------------|
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|              |                             |
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| KOREA MARU   | Tuesday, 10th June, at Noon |
| SHINYO MARU  | Tuesday, 22nd June, at Noon |
| SIBERIA MARU | Tuesday, 13th July, at Noon |

## SOUTH AMERICA via Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

|             |                              |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| BOKUYO MARU | Saturday, 29th May, at Noon  |
| RYUTSU MARU | Saturday, 17th July, at Noon |

## MARSEILLES, LONDON &amp; ANTWERP via Singapore &amp; Ports.

|              |                     |
|--------------|---------------------|
| HARUNA MARU  | Saturday, 22nd May  |
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| KATORI MARU  | Saturday, 19th June |
| KASHIMA MARU | Saturday, 3rd July  |
| KASHIMA MARU | Saturday, 17th July |

## SYDNEY &amp; MELBOURNE via Manila &amp; Ports.

|            |                                  |
|------------|----------------------------------|
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|              |                   |
|--------------|-------------------|
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|              |                     |
|--------------|---------------------|
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| KAWACHI MARU | Wednesday, 7th July |

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|            |                     |
|------------|---------------------|
| GENOA MARU | Wednesday, 2nd June |
|------------|---------------------|

## CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang &amp; Rangoon.

|            |                  |
|------------|------------------|
| CYLON MARU | Sunday, 30th May |
|------------|------------------|

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|          |                     |
|----------|---------------------|
| AKI MARU | Saturday, 19th June |
|----------|---------------------|

## SHANGHAI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA.

|              |                    |
|--------------|--------------------|
| MORIOKA MARU | Saturday, 22nd May |
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| TSINGTAU via SHANGHAI | "KWONGSANG" | Wednesday, 26th May, at Noon   |
| HAIPHONG              | "MINGSANG"  | Thursday, 27th May, at 10 a.m. |
| BANGKOK               | "HOPSANG"   | Thursday, 27th May, at 10 a.m. |
| OSAKA via SHANGHAI    | "NAMSANG"   | Saturday, 29th May, at 9 a.m.  |
| MOJI & KOBE           | "CHIPSANG"  | Sunday, 30th May, at 7 a.m.    |
| TSINGTAU via SHANGHAI | "YATSANG"   | Wednesday, 2nd June, at Noon   |
| STRAITS & CALCUTTA    | "BIMSANG"   | Thursday, 3rd June, at 3 p.m.  |
| TSINGTAU via SHANGHAI | "FOOSANG"   | Wednesday, 9th June, at Noon   |
| OSAKA via SHANGHAI    | "KITSANG"   | Saturday, 12th June, at 7 a.m. |
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| "GLENIFFER"       | 22nd "                                |            |
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| "MALWA"      | 10,941 | 29th May, Noon        | Marseilles and London.                   |
| "MIRZAPUR"   | 6,715  | 2nd June              | Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Antwerp. |
| "NAGPORE"    | 5,233  | 7th June              | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.     |
| "KEYBER"     | 9,114  | 12th June             | Marseilles, London & Antwerp.            |
| "KIDDERPORE" | 5,334  | 21st June             | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.     |
| "MANTUA"     | 10,992 | 28th June             | Marseilles and London.                   |
| "JEYPORE"    | 5,213  | 5th July              | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.     |
| "KAKMALA"    | 9,123  | 10th July             | Marseilles, London and Antwerp.          |
| "PADNA"      | 5,907  | 18th July             | Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Antwerp. |
| "KASHMIR"    | 8,995  | 22nd July             | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.     |
| "RANPURA"    | 16,585 | 24th July             | Marseilles and London.                   |
| "DELTA"      | 8,097  | 7th Aug.              | Marseilles, London, and Antwerp.         |
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| "KALYAN"     | 9,144  | 4th Sept.             | Marseilles, London & Antwerp.            |
| "MALWA"      | 10,941 | 18th Sept.            | Marseilles and London.                   |
| "KASHGAR"    | 9,005  | 22nd Oct.             | Marseilles, London & Antwerp.            |
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| "MANTUA"     | 10,992 | 13th Nov.             | Marseilles and London.                   |
| "KAKMALA"    | 9,123  | 27th Nov.             | Marseilles, London and Antwerp.          |
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| "SHIRALA" | 7,841  | 29th May          | do.                             |
| "TAKADA"  | 6,949  | 5th June          | do.                             |
| "SANTHA"  | 7,754  | 27th June         | do.                             |
| "TILAWA"  | 10,003 | 5th July          | do.                             |
| "TALAMBA" | 8,015  | 11th July         | do.                             |
| "SHIRALA" | 7,841  | 23rd July         | do.                             |

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|              |       |           |                                             |
|--------------|-------|-----------|---------------------------------------------|
| "TANDA"      | 6,956 | 1st June  | Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island.          |
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| "TAKADA"     | 6,949  | 23rd May, 6 a.m. | Kobe via Amoy.                     |
| "MANTUA"     | 10,992 | 27th May         | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.             |
| "PADNA"      | 5,907  | 1st June         | Shanghai and Kobe.                 |
| "SANTHA"     | 7,754  | 11th June        | Moji and Kobe.                     |
| "ARAFURA"    | 6,900  | 12th June        | Shanghai and Kobe.                 |
| "TILAWA"     | 10,003 | 15th June        | Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.           |
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| "ARAFURA"    | 6,900  | 7th Sept.        | Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.    |
| "MOBEA"      | 10,918 | 16th Sept.       | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.           |

All rates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

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\* Passengers for Rangoon must defray their own Hotel expenses at Singapore while awaiting the on carrying steamer.

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AND RETURN  
(Occupying 9 or 10 Days)

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Arrivals and Departures from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

Round Trip Tickets will be issued from Hongkong to Fochow (Pagoda Anchorage) and return by the same steamer by the "HAINING," "HAIHONG" and "HAIHING" at the reduced rate of \$30.00 including meals while the steamer is in Port.

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**CHINA NAVIGATION CO.,**

LIMITED.

|                              |             |                      |
|------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO          | "LINAN"     | On 22nd May, 6 a.m.  |
| HAIPHONG                     | "KANCHOW"   | On 22nd May, 10 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI                     | "SINKIANG"  | On 23rd May, 6 a.m.  |
| AMOY & SINGAPORE             | "KWEIYANG"  | On 23rd May, 6 a.m.  |
| WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN | "HUICHOW"   | On 24th May, 4 p.m.  |
| AMOY & SHANGHAI              | "SOOCHOW"   | On 25th May, 6 a.m.  |
| AMOY & SINGAPORE             | "KAYING"    | On 26th May, 6 a.m.  |
| SHANGHAI                     | "LIANGCHOW" | On 27th May, 6 a.m.  |
| BANGKOK                      | "KALGAN"    | On 27th May, 6 a.m.  |
| HAIPHONG                     | "KIUKIANG"  | On 28th May, 10 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO          | "SUNNING"   | On 29th May, 4 p.m.  |
| AMOY & SHANGHAI              | "SUIYANG"   | On 1st June, 6 a.m.  |
| AMOY & SINGAPORE             | "KWANGCHOW" | On 1st June, 6 a.m.  |

For Freight or Passage apply to— BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE.

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Agents.

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| STEAMER | Due Hongkong ON OR ABOUT | SAILING HENCE ON OR ABOUT |
|---------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| TAIPING | In Port                  | 23rd May, Noon            |
| CHANGTE | 16th June                | 22nd June                 |
| TAIPING | 17th July                | 23rd July                 |
| CHANGTE | 14th August              | 20th August               |

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REDUCED PASSAGE RATES TO BRINDISI, VENICE OR TRIESTE

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M.V. "ESQUILINO" ... From Hongkong.

Sails about 5th June.

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NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS

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Regular Passenger and Cargo Service to South African Ports.

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|                          |                |            |
|--------------------------|----------------|------------|
| S.S. "LYCAON"            | Via Suez Canal | 4th June.  |
| S.S. "CITY OF SALISBURY" | Via Suez Canal | 18th June. |
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## GENERAL HOLIDAY.

On Whit Monday, the 24th inst., the G.P.O. and Branch Post Offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.  
There will be no collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays, and also one delivery of registered correspondence at 9 a.m.  
The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

## INWARD MAILS.

| FROM                                | PER               | DATE      |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| SHANGHAI                            | Singapore         | 22nd May. |
| EUROPE via NEGAPATNAM (papers only) | Batterphon        | 22nd May. |
| London, 22nd April                  | Peram             | 22nd May. |
| SHANGHAI                            | Dr. Pierre Benoit | 23rd May. |
| SAIGON                              |                   |           |
| U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN, SHANGHAI   | Tenyo Maru        | 23rd May. |
| & EUROPE via SIBERIA                | Pres. Adams       | 24th May. |
| U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI  | Emp. of Russia    | 24th May. |
| MANILA                              | Amazona           | 25th May. |
| SHANGHAI                            | Amoy              | 25th May. |
| SAIGON                              | Pres. Madison     | 27th May. |
| MANILA                              | Pres. Lincoln     | 27th May. |
| U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI  |                   |           |

## OUTWARD MAILS.

| FOR                                       | PER             | DATE             |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
|                                           |                 | Saturday, 22nd.  |
| Haiphong                                  | Kanohow         | 8.30 A.M.        |
| Manila, Australia & New Zealand via       | Parcels         | 9.00 A.M.        |
| Thursday Island—due Thursday is.          | Reg.            | 9.45 A.M.        |
| 3rd June                                  | Letters         | 10.30 A.M.       |
| Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Manila,        |                 |                  |
| U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE          | Parcels         | Noon             |
| OPE via San Francisco—due San             | Reg.            | 2.45 P.M.        |
| Francisco, 16th June, and EUROPE          | Letters         | 3.30 P.M.        |
| via Siberia (letters & postcards          |                 |                  |
| only) specially empowered "Via Siberia"   |                 |                  |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,        |                 |                  |
| E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE            | Reg.            | 1.45 P.M.        |
| via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 24th       | Letters         | 2.30 P.M.        |
| June                                      |                 |                  |
| Haiphong                                  | Tonkin          | 2.00 P.M.        |
| Amoy                                      | Peram           | 3.00 P.M.        |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,        | Reg.            | 4.15 P.M.        |
| E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE            | Letters         | 5.00 P.M.        |
| via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 27th June  |                 |                  |
| Shanghai                                  | Singapore       | 5.00 P.M.        |
| Straits & Calcutta                        | Takida          | 5.00 P.M.        |
| Amoy                                      |                 |                  |
| Swatow, Amoy and Formosa                  | Honan Maru      | Sunday, 23rd.    |
|                                           |                 | 9.00 A.M.        |
| Manila                                    | Pres. Adams     | Monday, 24th.    |
| Wei Hai Wei                               | Euichow         | 9.00 A.M.        |
| Amoy                                      | Soochow         | 9.00 A.M.        |
|                                           | Parcels         | 9.00 A.M.        |
|                                           | Letters         | 9.00 A.M.        |
| Straits & Calcutta                        | Sui Sang        | Tuesday, 25th.   |
|                                           |                 | 12.30 P.M.       |
| Shanghai, Japan & EUROPE via Siberia      |                 |                  |
| (letters & postcards specially super-     |                 |                  |
| scribed "via Siberia" only)               |                 |                  |
| Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. | Reg.            | 1.45 P.M.        |
| Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via          | Letters         | 2.30 P.M.        |
| Marseilles—due Marseilles, 28th June      |                 |                  |
| Amoy & Foochow                            | Hai Ning        | Noon             |
| Amoy                                      | Kaying          | 5.00 P.M.        |
|                                           |                 |                  |
| Shanghai                                  | Kuong Sang      | Wednesday, 26th. |
| Shanghai                                  | Laoghow         | 5.00 P.M.        |
| Bangkok                                   | Kalgan          | 5.00 P.M.        |
|                                           |                 |                  |
| Hoihow and Haiphong                       | Mingung         | Thursday, 27th.  |
| Straits                                   | Van Overstraten | 8.30 A.M.        |
|                                           |                 | 10.30 A.M.       |
| Haiphong                                  | Kiukiang        | Friday, 28th.    |
|                                           |                 | 8.30 A.M.        |

\* Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: Hongkong.

Authorized Capital ..... \$50,000,000  
Issued and Fully Paid-up ..... \$20,000,000  
Reserve Funds: ..... £4,500,000  
Sterling ..... \$27,000,000  
Silver ..... \$27,000,000  
Reserve Liability of Pro-  
prietors ..... \$20,000,000

## Court of Directors:

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Chairman.  
Hon. Mr. A. O. LANG,  
Deputy Chairman.  
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P. H. Holyst, Esq., H. P. White, Esq.,  
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Chief Manager:  
A. H. Barlow, Esq.  
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CURRENT ACCOUNTS open in LOCAL CURRENCY and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods in Local CURRENCY and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application.  
Hongkong, April 6th, 1926. [25]

## HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on Deposits is calculated on the lowest balance during each completed Calendar Month at 3½ per cent. per annum. Should there be no balance on any day in a month no interest will be allowed for that month.

Depositors may transfer at their option Balance of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSITS at CURRENT RATES.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,  
A. H. BARLOW,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 7th January, 1925. [2]

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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital ..... £23,000,000  
Reserve Fund ..... £4,000,000  
Reserve Liability of Pro-  
prietors ..... £3,000,000

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON,  
Manager.

Hongkong, April 15th, 1925. [30]

## BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

Head Office:

96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital ..... Frs. 72,000,000.00  
Paid-up Capital ..... Frs. 68,400,000.00  
Reserve Fund ..... Frs. 59,667,263.54

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Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

A. LECOT,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1924. [32]

## THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

Head Office: HONGKONG.

10, Des Vaux Road Central.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ..... \$10,000,000  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... 5,000,000  
RESERVE FUND (1925) ..... 1,200,000

## DIRECTORS:

Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Chairman.  
Fung Ping Shan, Mok Ching Kong,  
Li Koon Chan, Wong Yun Tong,  
T. E. Kwok, Hui Yui Tai,  
Ng Ching Luk, Kan Ying Po,  
Pong Wai Ting, Chan Ching Shek.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Loans granted on approved securities.

SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES To Let.

Kan Tong Po,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1924.

## COMMERCIAL.

## OPENING QUOTATIONS.

May 21st, 1926.

## ON LONDON:

Telegraphic Transfer ..... 2/2 1/2

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 2/2 1/2

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ..... 2/2 1/2

Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight ..... 2/2 1/2

Bank Bills, at 12 months' sight ..... 2/2 1/2

On PARIS:

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/50

On NEW YORK:

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 5/8

On HONGKONG:

Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1/4

On SHANGHAI:

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/10

On YOKOHAMA:

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/10

On MANILA:

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/10

On BATAVIA:

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/10

On HANKOW:

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/10

On SOERABAYA:

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/10

On SINGAPORE:

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/10

On BANGKOK:

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/10

On CALCUTTA:

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/10

On RANGOON:

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On COLOMBO:

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On MADRAS:

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Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/10

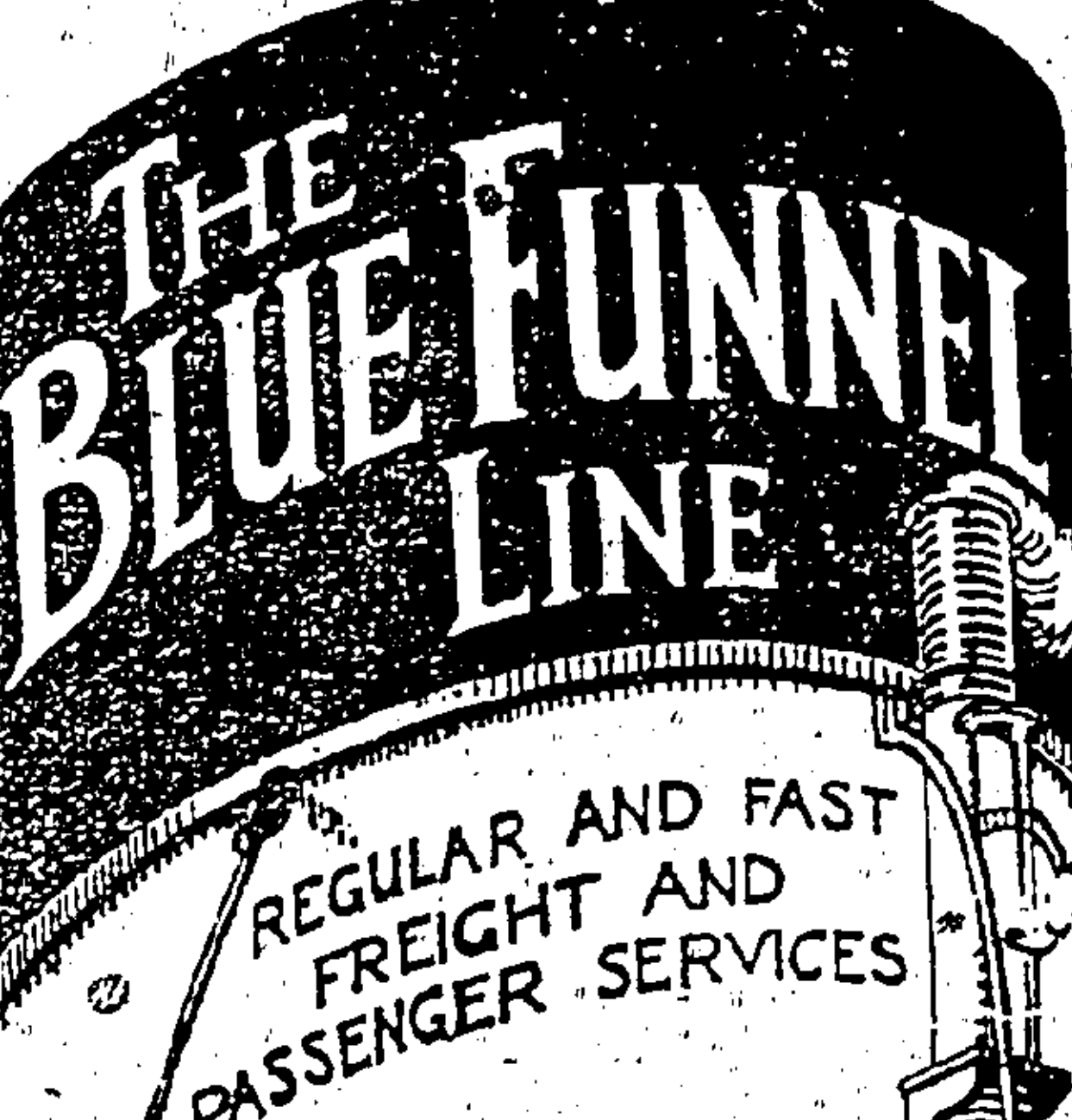


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A. ROLLIN,  
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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1925.

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Capital Subscribed ..... Yen 43,000,000  
Capital (Paid-up) ..... Yen 39,375,000

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T. TAKAGI,  
Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH, 3, Des Vaux Road, Central.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1925. [37]

## THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Capital fully paid-up ..... Yen 100,000,000